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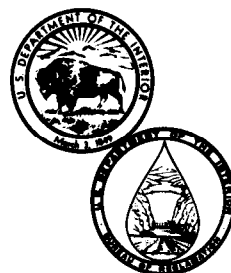
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# GLOSSARY

## Letter Symbols and Quantities

$A$	area
$B_1$	width of flume at location 1
$B_2$	width of flume at location 2
$C_f$	local skin friction coefficient
$D$	flow depth
$D_1$	depth at location 1 measured perpendicular to flume bottom
$D_2$	depth at location 2 measured perpendicular to flume bottom
$F$	wall force due to changing width of the cross-section
$f$	friction factor
$F_r$	Froude number
$g$	gravitational constant (acceleration)
$k_s$	equivalent sand grain roughness
$L$	characteristic length
$L_r$	length ratio
$L_m$	a length in the model
$L_p$	a length in the prototype
Log	logarithm (base 10)
$m$	subscript used in length ( $L$ ) is model
$n$	Manning's coefficient
$p$	subscript used in length ( $L$ ) is prototype
$Q$	discharge
$r$	ratio
$R_e$	Reynolds number
$S_f$	friction slope
$T$	time
$V$	velocity
$V_1$	mean velocity at location 1
$V_2$	mean velocity at location 2
$V_L$	volume
$W$	body force of the water
$X_1$	distance from boundary at location 1
$X_2$	distance from boundary at location 2
$\Delta X$	distance between point gauges
$\alpha$	alpha, slope of channel bottom with respect to a horizontal plane
$\beta_1$ and $\beta_2$	beta, momentum correction coefficients to account for nonuniform distribution of velocities and momentum over a channel section
$\gamma$	gamma, unit weight of water
$\theta$	theta, slope of water surface with respect to a horizontal plane
$\Phi$	phi, as a function of
$\nu$	nu, kinematic viscosity
$\rho$	rho, density of water
$\tau_b$	tau, bottom shear stress
$\tau_w$	tau, wall shear stress



## PURPOSE

In 1984, the Concrete Dams, Spillways and Outlets Section completed an appraisal design summary evaluating alternatives for conveying a revised PMF (Probable Maximum Flood) under the Safety of Dams modification program [1]. The PMF alternatives considered in the report were:

1. Raise the existing dam crest
2. Breach the existing dam
3. Fuse plug spillway and raise the existing dam crest
4. Auxiliary spillway and raise the existing dam crest

The costs of each of these design alternatives were evaluated in the summary [1]. The fuse plug spillway and raising the existing dam crest was chosen to be the least costly alternative.

A fuse plug is a zoned earth and rockfill embankment, designed to wash out in a predicted and controlled manner when the normal capacity of the service spillway and the outlet works is exceeded.

The fuse plug embankment would replace the existing left embankment (maximum height is 27 feet 8.2 meters) which lies north of the spillway (fig. 1). The fuse plug embankment, as described [1] in the appraisal design study, would be about 4,500 feet (1372 m) long and have a crest width of 30-feet (9.1 m) and crest elevation of 1991 (606.9 m).<sup>1</sup> The fuse plug spillway would begin to discharge when the reservoir elevation exceeds elevation 1985.0 (605 m) by using pilot channels to breach the embankment at selected locations.

The existing main embankment would be raised 5 feet to elevation 1996.5 (1.5 m to 608.5 m) – based on flood routings performed for the appraisal design study. Flood routings performed in the appraisal design study were based on a fuse plug embankment lateral erosion rate of 800 feet (244 m) per hour (0.0677 m/s).

A model study was proposed to evaluate the rate of discharge that could be passed through the fuse plug spillway and to account for the friction losses that would occur because of the long approach channel to the fuse plug spillway. A secondary consideration was the effect of mesquite trees located in the reservoir area that average 6 to 8 feet (1.8 to 2.4 m) high and vary in density up to 26 trees per 190 feet (58 m) diameter circular plot. Mesquite trees would increase the roughness and cause an increase in the water surface elevation in the approach to the fuse plug spillway thus reducing the discharge capacity.

<sup>1</sup> All elevations are in feet above sea level.

## INTRODUCTION

The San Angelo Project is located near the city of San Angelo in west-central Texas. One of the main features of the project is Twin Buttes Dam and Reservoir. In addition, O.C. Fisher Dam and Lake, and Lake Nasworthy provide municipal water requirements, irrigation and flood protection (fig. 1).

Twin Buttes Dam, located 6 miles (10 km) southwest of San Angelo, Texas, controls flow in the South and the Middle Concho Rivers and Spring Creek.

Twin Buttes Dam is a 134-foot-high (40.8 m) earthfill dam with a crest width of 30 feet (9.1 m) and a crest length of over 8 miles (12.9 kilometers). The outlet works of the dam is located near the left abutment and includes an approach channel, a concrete intake structure and a 3-barrel concrete conduit. The spillway structure (near the left abutment) is an uncontrolled ogee weir 200-feet (61.0 m) wide. A concrete chute section, 320-feet (97.5 m)-long, extends from the spillway crest to a stilling basin. The spillway crest is at elevation 1969.10 (600.2 m) and utilizes the Middle Concho streambed as the outlet channel.

The planned operation, when the dam was built in 1960, included:

- A reservoir with a dead capacity of 8,354 acre-feet ( $10.3 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$ ).
- A minimum water surface at elevation 1885 (574.5 m).
- An active conservation capacity of 177,849 acre-feet ( $219 \text{ million} \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$ ) with the top of active conservation at elevation 1940.2 (591.4 m).
- The exclusive flood control capacity contained 454,365 acre-feet ( $560 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$ ).
- The top of the exclusive flood control capacity was set at elevation 1969.1 (600.2 m).
- The surcharge capacity totaled 446,950 acre-feet at a design maximum water surface elevation of 1985 feet ( $5.52 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^3$  at 605 m).

The outlet works channel and the spillway outlet channel form a common channel 300-feet (91.4 m) wide leading to the Middle Concho River (fig. 2). The spillway was designed for a discharge of 47,300 ft<sup>3</sup>/s with the reservoir at the maximum water surface of 1985 feet (1339 m<sup>3</sup>/s at 605.0 m). The outlet works was designed for a normal discharge of 25,000 ft<sup>3</sup>/s at a water surface elevation of 1940.2 (708 m<sup>3</sup>/s at 591.4 m) and a maximum discharge of 35,700 ft<sup>3</sup>/s at the maximum water surface elevation of 1985 (1011 m<sup>3</sup>/s at 605.0 m).

Originally, Twin Buttes Dam was designed for an inflow design flood of 725,000 ft<sup>3</sup>/s and a 3-day volume of 825,000 acre-feet (20530 m<sup>3</sup>/s inflow and  $1.0 \times 10^6$  m<sup>3</sup> volume). The inflow design flood was revised in 1982 and 1986 by the Bureau's Flood Section of the Hydrology Branch. A revised probable maximum storm was used to develop a new PMF. The new PMF has a peak inflow of 1,416,000 ft<sup>3</sup>/s with an 18-day volume of 1,900,000 acre-feet (40091 m<sup>3</sup>/s inflow and  $2.342 \times 10^6$  m<sup>3</sup>/s volume). Flood routings indicated that the existing spillway and outlet works could only pass 44 percent of the PMF.

## SUMMARY

Twin Buttes Dam is a 134-foot (40.8 m) high earthfill dam with a crest width of 30 feet (9 m), a crest length of over 8 miles (12.9 kilometers), and a crest elevation of 1991 feet (606.9 m). In 1986, the PMF was revised to a peak inflow of 1.416 million ft<sup>3</sup>/s and an 18-day volume of 1.9 million acre-feet (40 210 m<sup>3</sup>/s peak and 2342 m<sup>3</sup> volume). The existing spillway and outlet works could only convey 44 percent of the PMF.

Several design alternatives were considered to control the PMF. The least expensive alternative was a fuse plug controlled spillway. The fuse plug embankment would replace a dike along the left abutment and would be about 4,500 feet long (1372 m) with a crest width of 30 feet (9.1 m) and crest elevation of 1991.0 (606.9 m). The fuse plug spillway would begin to discharge at elevation 1985 (605.0 m), when pilot channels would initiate breaching of the fuse plug embankment at selected locations. Preliminary flood routings indicate that a spillway capacity of 1 million ft<sup>3</sup>/s (28317 m<sup>3</sup>/s) is necessary to pass the probable maximum flood at a maximum water surface of 1993.0 feet (28 317 m<sup>3</sup>/s at 607.5 m).

A model study was proposed to determine the flow capacity of the fuse plug spillway. Two main factors considered in the model study were the long approach channel to the fuse plug spillway and the additional friction losses caused by mesquite trees in the reservoir area.

A hydraulic model was constructed to a scale of 1 to 150 that covered 5,000 feet (1524 m) of the upstream approach to the fuse plug and 4,000 feet (1219 m) of the actual fuse plug embankment. Discharge – through the existing ogee service spillway – was measured with a V-notch weir located in a side channel next to the model.

Special techniques were applied to determine the frictional effect of mesquite growing in the fuse plug spillway approach channel. Plastic trees placed in a variable slope rectangular tilting flume (in subsequent

references, it will be called a tilting flume) were used to simulate the surface resistance of the mesquite. Mesquite trees were scaled 1 to 30. Then, a pattern of outdoor carpeting was developed in the tilting flume that represented mesquite scaled 1 to 150. The carpet was used in the large hydraulic model of Twin Buttes to simulate prototype mesquite trees.

Plastic trees and outdoor carpet used in the tilting flume were scaled based on a vegetative survey that indicated tree height and density for all the vegetation in the fuse plug study area. Trees and carpet were placed in the flume at the density and average height determined in the field survey for area plots IA and IB. Vegetative type IA, mesquite-brush-uplands, contains an average of 12 mesquite trees per sample plot; vegetative type 1B, mesquite-brush-lowlands, contains an average of 26 trees per sample plot (See table 1). The surface resistance of concrete, plastic trees, and outdoor carpeting was determined by applying the momentum equation between two measurement locations and solving for the shear stress  $\tau_b$ . Once  $\tau_b$  was known, the friction factor,  $f$ , was calculated from the Darcy-Weisbach equation. The equivalent sand grain roughness  $k_s$  was then computed by knowing  $f$  and solving the Colebrook-White equation. Equivalent sand grain roughness,  $k_s$ , relates the hydraulic losses to the surface type. The equations used to solve for these parameters are given in Appendix A: FCALCULATE.

Model testing and results were divided into two categories: 1) determination of surface resistance of mesquite trees, and 2) determination of discharge rating curves and flow patterns.

The equivalent sand grain roughness of concrete in the large hydraulic model flume tests was 0.001 feet (0.305 mm). The equivalent sand grain roughness of the 1 to 30 scale plastic trees averaged 0.115 feet (35 mm) corresponding to the more dense mesquite vegetation area IB. The outdoor carpet was placed in the tilting flume at the same density as mesquite vegetative type IB. Consequently, the equivalent sand grain roughness of the outdoor carpet (simulating the mesquite at a 1 to 150 scale) should have been one-fifth of the equivalent sand grain roughness of the plastic trees. The equivalent sand grain roughness of the outdoor carpet varied between 0.002 and 0.073 feet (0.6 mm and 22 mm) – averaging 0.021 feet (6.4 mm). This value is close to one-fifth the equivalent sand grain roughness determined for the plastic trees – 0.023 feet (7.0 mm). The carpet then was placed in the large hydraulic model in vegetation areas IA and IB to simulate mesquite friction. The carpet for area IA was cut into rectangular pieces that were one-half the size of those in area IB, because the mesquite trees density was about one-half the density in area IB.

Table 1. — Twin Buttes Dam vegetative survey in the fuse plug model area.

<i>Vegetative type</i>	<i>Description†</i>
IA Mesquite-brush-uplands	Average of 12 mesquite trees having an average height of 5.5 feet. Maximum tree height recorded was 15 feet.
IB Mesquite-brush-lowlands	Average of 26 mesquite trees per sample plot having an average height of 6.8 feet.
IC Mesquite-brush-cleared park area	All underbrush has been cleared. Average of 1 to 2 trees per sample plot having heights of 15 to 18 feet.
ID Mesquite-brushland-slopes	Steep rocky areas with junipers averaging 8 feet high scattered throughout the slope. Mesquite trees average 7 trees per site having an average height of 4.7 feet.
II Saltcedar transition	This area includes mesquite, salt cedar, grasses and annuals. Average of 4 mesquite trees having an average height of 5 feet. Saltcedars were less than 2 per square meter and averaging 4 feet high.
III Saltcedar A—Class I	This area included an average of 27 stems per square meter less than 4 feet in height.
B—Class II	This area included an average of 30 stems per square meter ranging from 4 to 5 feet high.
C—Class III	Narrow band of saltcedars averaging 7 feet in height. Some 12-foot trees were common.
IV Annuals	This area includes a mixture of saltcedars and annuals. Plants and saltcedars average 4 feet with about 20 plants per square meter.

† These vegetative types correspond to the vegetative map on figure 10.

The model was tested at several discharges to obtain a discharge rating curve (without mesquite friction) before placing the outdoor carpet. Tests were repeated after the carpet was installed. Tests revealed the effect of mesquite on the fuse plug discharge was negligible below 500,000 ft<sup>3</sup>/s (14158 m<sup>3</sup>/s). As flow increased, the effect was more pronounced. At reservoir elevation 1996 (608.4 m), the mesquite reduces the discharge by about 4.5 percent 60,000 ft<sup>3</sup>/s from 1.37 to 1.31 million ft<sup>3</sup>/s, (1699 from

38794 to 37095 m<sup>3</sup>/s). Discharges at elevation 1985 feet (605.0 m) include a spillway discharge of 47,300 ft<sup>3</sup>/s, and an outlet works discharge of 35,700 ft<sup>3</sup>/s, for a combined total of 83,000 ft<sup>3</sup>/s (1339 m<sup>3</sup>/s + 1011 m<sup>3</sup>/s = 2350 m<sup>3</sup>/s). At elevation 1996, combined spillway and outlet works flow would be 105,000 ft<sup>3</sup>/s (2970 m<sup>3</sup>/s at 608.4 m). Water surface profile data were recorded during the discharge rating tests. Water surface elevations were obtained from wave probes located throughout the model and from a point gauge that was used near the fuseplug centerline. These data were taken for discharges ranging between 71,100 ft<sup>3</sup>/s and 1.4 million ft<sup>3</sup>/s (2015 and 39645 m<sup>3</sup>/s).

To provide designers data for flood routings, current meter measurements were made along the fuse plug section to obtain the distribution of flow across the fuse plug. Current meter data were obtained before installing the simulated mesquite friction and after the mesquite friction was added to the model.

## CONCLUSIONS

The following conclusions are drawn from Twin Buttes Dam model investigation.

1. Fuse plug spillway capacity is 1.37 million ft<sup>3</sup>/s (38 794 m<sup>3</sup>/s) without mesquite friction, at elevation 1996 feet (608.4 m). This includes 105,000 ft<sup>3</sup>/s (2970 m<sup>3</sup>/s) through the existing ogee service spillway and the outlet works. Fuse plug capacity with mesquite friction is 1.31 million ft<sup>3</sup>/s (37 095 m<sup>3</sup>/s) including the existing service spillway and outlet works (fig. 19).
2. Equivalent sand grain roughness of the hydraulic model without the addition of mesquite friction is approximately 0.001 feet (0.305 mm).
3. Because field data could not be found for friction of mesquite trees, a 1 to 30 scale model of mesquite trees was used in a tilting flume to test for the friction factor and the average equivalent sand grain roughness of mesquite. Average value for the equivalent sand grain roughness of the simulated mesquite was 0.115 feet (35 mm).
4. Outdoor carpet was used to simulate the mesquite scaled 1 to 150 in the hydraulic model. Average equivalent sand grain roughness of the carpet was 0.021 feet (6.4 mm) — close to one-fifth the average value for the equivalent sand grain roughness of the simulated mesquite in the 1 to 30 scale model.

## APPLICATIONS

A unique procedure was developed to estimate the roughness of the mesquite in the 1 to 150 scale

model. Prototype friction data were not available for mesquite trees located in the spillway approach channel. Consequently, mesquite trees were simulated using plastic trees at a 1 to 30 scale to develop roughness data. The equivalent sand grain roughness of mesquite was computed by solving the momentum equation to obtain shear stress, and then using the Darcy-Weisbach and Colebrook-White equations. These equations were incorporated into a computer program (FALCULATE). The computer program equations are general enough that they can be applied to similar situations. Using scale models of roughness elements may be possible in future hydraulic model studies, where prototype water surface elevation data are inadequate.

## THE MODEL

### Hydraulic Similitude

To investigate flow conditions with a model, hydraulic similitude must exist between model and prototype. The primary forces that influence hydraulic flow conditions are gravity, viscosity, pressure, surface tension and elasticity. The inertial force is the vector sum of all forces. When gravitational forces predominate, which is the case with most open hydraulic structures, a basis for similitude can be established by equating the ratio of gravitational forces to inertial forces and neglect the other forces. Flow in Twin Buttes Dam model was simulated by using the dimensionless Froude number that relates inertial force to gravity force.

$$F_r = \frac{V}{\sqrt{Lg}} \quad (1)$$

Using the Froude number, model and prototype parameters can be determined from the following similitude equations.

$$L_r = \frac{L_m}{L_p} \quad (2)$$

$$A_m = L_r^2 A_p \quad (3)$$

$$V_{Lm} = L_r^3 V_{Lp} \quad (4)$$

$$T = L_r^{1/2} \quad (5)$$

$$V_m = L_r^{1/2} V_p \quad (6)$$

$$Q_m = L_r^{5/2} Q_p \quad (7)$$

Flow resistance must be correctly simulated in the model to obtain water surface profiles and flow through the fuse plug. The model is operated whereby the model friction factor,  $f$ , is equal to the prototype friction factor.

The friction factor,  $f$ , is a function of relative roughness of the boundary,  $k_s/D$ , and the Reynolds number,  $R_e$ :

$$f = \Phi(k_s/D, R_e) \quad (8)$$

This functional relationship is displayed by the Moody diagram on figure 3 [2].

Velocities and depths are smaller in the model than in the prototype which produces a smaller model Reynolds number. However, if model Reynolds numbers are large enough, the friction factors lie in the completely turbulent zone of the resistance diagram. Since, in this zone, the friction factor is constant and independent of Reynolds number, the model and prototype friction factors are equal. Thus, for frictional similitude, it is only necessary to geometrically scale the equivalent sand grain roughness,  $k_s$ .

Reynolds numbers in Twin Buttes Dam model varied between 25,000 and 40,000. The  $R_e$  were large enough that the friction factor plotted on the horizontal portion of the resistance curve – the completely turbulent zone. Equality in friction factors between model and prototype was obtained by scaling the roughness elements.

### Description

Twin Buttes Dam and Reservoir hydraulic model was designed to simulate as much topography upstream of the fuse plug as possible (fig. 4). Model area included the area upstream of the fuse plug, the spillway, and a portion of the downstream topography. The hydraulic model scale selected was 1 to 150 (undistorted). The model constructed, in the laboratory, was 28 feet wide by 46 feet long (8.5 by 14.0 m) (fig. 5). More than 5,000 feet (1524 m) of upstream approach channel to the fuse plug was modeled; 4,000 feet (1219 m) of the proposed fuse plug was used in the scale model.

The large hydraulic model construction was accomplished by dividing the area to be modeled into a grid system in the east-west and north-south directions. Reservoir topography was taken from a 1:400 scale topography map and converted to the model scale along each grid line. Then, model elevations were transferred to 3/4-inch (19 mm) plywood templates, and the templates were cut to model elevations. The plywood templates were placed vertically on the model floor along grid lines running in each direction. Sand was placed in each plywood box formed by the templates, and a thin layer of concrete mortar was placed on top of the sand to bring the topography to elevations of the templates.

The model fuse plug was constructed of urethane in sections that could be added or removed to simulate

flow conditions as the washout progressed. At the maximum section, the model fuse plug height was just over 2 inches (51 mm). The fuse plug was anchored in the model by bolting it to a wood base.

Flow from the existing ogee service spillway was delivered into a side channel (fig. 6). Discharge through the ogee spillway was measured in the model with a V-notch weir.

### **Model Measurements and Instrumentation**

Point gauges were used in both the 1 to 150 scale large hydraulic model and the tilting flume to measure water surface elevations. Because of surface fluctuations in the flumes, a wave probability probe was attached to each point gauge to obtain an average reading (fig. 7). The wave probability probe is an electrical averaging device used to determine when the point gauge is in contact with the water surface approximately 50 percent of the time.

In the large hydraulic model, water surface elevations were recorded upstream of the fuse plug with a hook gauge attached to a stilling well. The hook gauge was located in the deepest part of the reservoir.

Capacitance wave probes also were located throughout the upstream approach channel to the fuse plug to measure water surface elevations (fig. 8). The probes were calibrated to the hook gauge readings by ponding the water in the reservoir to establish a level water surface. Water surface elevations read at the hook gauge corresponded to voltage readings from the wave probes. Wave probe data were recorded with a digital voltmeter using an HP 9816 (Hewlett Packard) computer to monitor the data and record it on floppy disks (fig. 9). A linear regression of the voltage readings from each channel of the wave probes, and the hook gauge readings of water surface elevations was then computed. After the regression was completed, probes were used to measure water surface elevations throughout the approach to the fuse plug.

An Ott current meter was used to measure velocities at the fuse plug section. These data were used to compute the distribution of flow at the fuse plug. Current meter readings were obtained at different elevations before installing the simulated mesquite and with the mesquite in place.

The laboratory venturi meter system was used to measure discharge to the models.

### **Scaling the Mesquite**

A vegetative survey was conducted by the environmental specialist of the Environmental Affairs Office

in the Bureau's Southwest Regional Office (Amarillo, Texas) to determine the average height, density, and type of vegetation in the model study area. Sample sites were selected from a computer generated grid system. All shrubs, trees, and ground cover were sampled within each 190-foot (58 m) circular sample area (fig. 10). Average tree, or shrub height, and canopy diameter were recorded. In areas containing immature saltcedars, sample plots of one square meter were used because of the large density of the saltcedar.

Topography of the model study area contains very small changes in slope. Velocities do not increase significantly until the flow approaches the fuse plug spillway. Upstream near the fuse plug embankment, vegetative types IA and IB (fig. 10, table 1) predominate. Vegetative type IA, mesquite-brush-uplands, contains an average of 12 mesquite trees per sample plot and has an average height of 5.5 feet (1.7 m). Vegetative type IB, mesquite-brush-lowlands, contains an average of 26 trees per sample plot having an average height of 6.8 feet (2.1 m).

Frictional resistance of mesquite trees located in areas IA and IB was an important consideration in the model study. Prototype water surface elevation data do not exist for the approach channel to the fuse plug spillway, since design flow has never occurred. In addition, published friction data for mesquite trees could not be found in the literature. Mesquite trees will have an effect on the amount of flow through the fuse plug spillway channel. Therefore, a separate study of the friction losses was necessary to model the mesquite trees in the laboratory. Because frictional resistance of the trees was not available, scale models of trees were studied in the laboratory tilting flume to determine their frictional resistance for use in the large 1:150 scale model.

Frictional resistance of the concrete surface in the hydraulic model was studied. Determination of the average equivalent sand grain roughness of the concrete surface was necessary to assure the model was not already rough enough without having to add an additional roughness element to simulate the mesquite friction.

To establish the surface resistance of the mesquite and the concrete surface in the hydraulic model, the following sequence was performed:

1. Determine surface roughness of concrete in the large hydraulic model.
2. Determine roughness of mesquite by simulating the trees with plastic model plants in the tilting flume facility.

3. Install appropriate roughness elements in the large hydraulic model to simulate the effect of the mesquite.

Two flumes were used in the friction studies. The first flume was constructed inside the hydraulic model to determine the "as built" frictional characteristics of the concrete surface. The flume constructed in the hydraulic model was 3-feet wide, 2-feet high and 40-feet long (0.9- by 0.6- by 12.2-m, respectively) (fig. 11). Ten point gauges were placed along the flume to obtain water surface elevations. Data obtained from this flume study were used to estimate the roughness of the concrete surface.

The second facility used in frictional resistance studies was a tilting flume (fig. 12). The flume was 3-feet wide and 60-feet long (0.9- by 18.2-m). Five point gauges were used in the flume to measure water surface elevations. The first gauge was placed 40 feet (12.2 m) from the entrance to the flume. Plastic trees similar in texture to the mesquite were placed at random locations in the tilting flume facility by using X-Y coordinates generated by a random number program. Trees were scaled based on both an average height, and the canopy and density. The plastic trees were studied in the model at two different densities typical of vegetative types IA and IB. These 2-inch (50.1 mm) trees represented full scale trees at 1 to 30. Then, outdoor carpet was placed in the tilting flume to simulate the correct frictional loss in the hydraulic model at a scale of 1 to 150.

After completing friction tests in both flumes, carpeting was placed in the Twin Buttes hydraulic model according to the distribution of vegetation types IA and IB determined in the field survey (fig. 10).

### Surface Roughness Estimation

Three approaches for computing surface roughness were considered:

1. An energy balance could be written between two point gauges by solving for the energy loss. The Darcy-Weisbach equation is used to obtain the friction factor,  $f$ . The equivalent sand roughness,  $k_s$ , is determined using the Colebrook-White equation. In this case, the characteristic length is the hydraulic radius of the flume cross section.

2. The momentum equation could be solved between two locations to obtain the shear stress,  $\tau_b$ . Compute the friction factor,  $f$ , from its relationship to shear stress and solve for  $k_s$  from the Colebrook-White equation. The characteristic length here is the depth.

3. The momentum equation could be solved as in the second approach except the equation relating the local skin friction coefficient,  $C_f$ , and Reynolds num-

ber for fully turbulent flow over a flat plate are used to estimate  $K_s$ .

All three methods were investigated; it was found that the momentum method using shear stress gave the most consistent results.

The energy method for computing friction slope and  $f$  (the first approach) is based on the assumption of uniform flow. This condition was violated in the large hydraulic model where the bottom slope and the depth change with distance from the baffle.

The third approach, using the equation from Schlichting's "Boundary Layer Theory" [3] for flow over a rough plate, resulted in excessively large estimates of  $k_s$ . This was caused by difficulties in accurately determining the boundary layer thickness in the laboratory model. A more detailed description of the momentum balance is given in the next section.

## MODEL RESULTS AND ANALYSIS

Model testing and results can be divided into two categories. The first was the determination of the mesquite roughness. The second was the determination of the discharge rating relationship and distribution of flow.

### Mesquite Roughness Estimation

Determination of mesquite roughness was accomplished by solving the momentum equation for shear stress. The friction factor was calculated from the Darcy-Weisbach equation, and the average equivalent sand grain roughness was computed from the Colebrook-White equation. These equations were incorporated into FCalculate (app. A). Data were collected and used in FCalculate to estimate equivalent sand grain roughness of mesquite for both the prototype and model scales.

The momentum balance written between two point gauges (fig. 13) is given by:

$$F + W \sin \alpha + (D_1^2 \cos \alpha) \frac{\gamma B_1}{2} - (D_2^2 \cos \alpha) \frac{\gamma B_2}{2} - \tau_w \left( \frac{D_1 + D_2}{2} \right) 2\Delta X - \tau_b \left( \frac{B_1 + B_2}{2} \right) \Delta X = \rho Q \left[ \beta_2 V_2 \cos \left( \frac{\alpha - \theta}{2} \right) - \beta_1 V_1 \cos \left( \frac{\alpha - \theta}{2} \right) \right] \quad (9)$$

The tilting flume has almost a uniform cross section, and the effect of nonuniform velocity head and momentum is small; therefore, momentum coefficients,  $\beta$ , were assumed to be unity.

The body force can be further defined by:

$$W = \gamma \Delta X \left( \frac{B_1 + B_2}{2} \right) \frac{D_1 + D_2}{2} \quad (10)$$

Wall shear is estimated from equation 21.12 in Schlichting [3] for a smooth flat plate. Averaging over the section, the wall shear is defined by:

$$\tau_w = 0.0148 \rho v^{0.2} \left( \frac{V_1^{1.8}}{X_1^{0.2}} \right) + \frac{V_2^{1.8}}{X_2^{0.2}} \quad (11)$$

Wall force caused by change in width acting on the section is given by:

$$F = \frac{\gamma}{4} (B_2 - B_1) (D_1 + D_2)^2 \cos \alpha \quad (12)$$

Combining equations (9), (10), and (12) and solving for the bottom shear  $\tau_b$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_b = \gamma \left( \frac{D_1 + D_2}{2} \right) \sin \alpha + \frac{\gamma}{(B_1 + B_2) \Delta X} \\ (B_1 D_1^2 \cos \alpha - B_2 D_2^2 \cos \alpha) + \frac{\gamma}{4} (B_2 - B_1) (D_1 + D_2)^2 \\ \frac{1}{(B_1 + B_2) \Delta X} - 2\tau_w \left( \frac{D_1 + D_2}{B_1 + B_2} \right) \cos \left( \frac{\alpha - \theta}{2} \right) \\ - \frac{2\rho Q}{(B_1 + B_2) \Delta X} \left[ V_2 \cos \left( \frac{\alpha - \theta}{2} \right) - V_1 \cos \left( \frac{\alpha - \theta}{2} \right) \right] \quad (13) \end{aligned}$$

Once  $\tau_b$  is known then the average Darcy-Weisbach friction factor,  $f$ , over the test length can be calculated [4] from:

$$\tau_b = \frac{f \rho}{8} \left( \frac{V_1^2 + V_2^2}{2} \right) \quad (14)$$

Finally, the surface roughness,  $k_s$ , can be computed by solving the Colebrook-White equation according to [5].

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{f}} = 1.56 - 2 \log \left[ \frac{k_s}{D} + \frac{15}{R_* \sqrt{f}} \right] \quad (15)$$

and

$$R_* = \frac{VD}{v}$$

The momentum, Darcy-Weisbach, and Colebrook-White equations outlined in this section were incorporated in FCALCULATE (app.) A.

Using the momentum approach, flume studies were conducted to estimate  $k_s$ . The  $k_s$  value for the concrete only in the large model was estimated (by the momentum approach) to determine the roughness of the original concrete surface in the model.

Point gauge readings were taken at ten locations to obtain water surface elevations. These data were used in FCALCULATE to estimate  $f$  and  $k_s$  between each measurement location. Data from the first five point gauge locations closest to the baffle were not used because the Reynolds number was less than 60,000. This is out of range for the solution of the Colebrook-White equation. In some cases, the value of the Reynolds number exceeded 60,000, but the friction factor computed for the water surface elevation and discharge, at the first five point gauges, was below the smooth curve on the resistance diagram. These data were also out of range for solution of the Colebrook-White equation. These results could have been caused by excessive turbulence that occurred in the flume close to the baffle or because the boundary layer was not completely developed.

Point gauge data collected at locations 6 through 9 were originally used to compute  $f$  and  $k_s$ . However, after studying the results, the values of  $f$  and  $k_s$  were computed using only the end points (locations 6 and 9). This allowed readings to be taken with a longer distance between point gauges and increased the accuracy in determining the friction losses, therefore obtaining good estimates of  $f$  and  $k_s$ .

Concrete surface friction data for the large hydraulic model flume are summarized in table (2). Data computed for surface resistance of concrete corresponded to a discharge of 3.84 ft<sup>3</sup>/s [0.109 m<sup>3</sup>/s (109 L/s)]. The equivalent sand grain roughness for concrete estimated at this discharge was 0.001 feet (0.305 mm). Published data for the equivalent sand grain roughness of concrete range between 0.001 and 0.01 feet (0.305 to 3.05 mm).

Plastic trees were then placed in the tilting flume to simulate the mesquite; they represented mesquite trees at a 1 to 30 scale. Testing was done in the tilting flume facility to obtain a wider range of Reynolds numbers, velocities, and depths. Figure 14 shows the flume operating with the plastic trees in place. Two different densities of mesquite were tested in the flume. These densities corresponded to vegetative types 1A and 1B (table 1 fig. 10).

Testing in the tilting flume with plastic trees was performed for slopes ranging between 0.3 and 4 percent and discharges ranging between 3 and 11 ft<sup>3</sup>/s [0.085 to 0.311 m<sup>3</sup>/s (85 to 311 L/s)]. Slight changes in slope along the flume were measured by using a surveying level to determine the elevations at each point gauge location and at the end points

Table 2. - Concrete surface friction data for the large hydraulic model flume.<sup>1</sup>

Longitudinal slope %	Discharge ft <sup>3</sup> /s	Cross-section width ft	Flow depth ft	Bottom elevation ft	Cross-section area ft <sup>2</sup>	Velocity average ft/s	Reynold's number $R_s$	Friction factor $f$	Equivalent sand grain roughness, $K_s$	Manning's $n$	Friction slope $S_f$
Varies	3.842	2.938 2.953	0.626 0.384	10.955 10.834	1.839 1.134	2.739	$1.09 \times 10^5$	0.022	0.001	0.010	0.00110
$1 \text{ ft} = 0.3048 \text{ m}$ $1 \text{ ft}^2 = 0.0929 \text{ m}^2$ $1 \text{ ft/s} = 0.3048 \text{ m/s}$ $1 \text{ ft}^3/\text{s} = .02831 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$											

of the flume. Investigations were conducted for both supercritical and subcritical flows (fig. 15 and 16).

Depths were measured in the flume with point gauges attached to the wave probability probe at four locations beginning 40 feet (12.2 m) downstream of the baffle. Depths were recorded for a range of discharges for both mesquite densities. The data were analyzed with program FCALCULATE (app. A) to compute  $f$  and  $k_s$ .

Friction data are summarized in table 3. The friction factor varied between 0.074 and 0.181 and the equivalent sand grain roughness varied between 0.057 and 0.210 feet (17.4 and 64.0 mm) – averaging 0.115 feet (35 mm). Originally,  $f$  and  $k_s$  were computed at each point gauge location for each discharge and slope. After analyzing the data, it was decided that a better water surface profile curve could be computed with a linear regression of the measured data. Then  $f$  and  $k_s$  were computed between the two end points of the fitted data.

The  $k_s$  value computed for the plastic trees averaged 0.115 feet (35 mm). Scaling the  $k_s$  value from the flume at a scale of 1 to 30 to the large hydraulic model scale of 1 to 150 resulted in a  $k_s$  value of 0.02 feet (6.1 mm). Outdoor carpeting having a coarse texture was selected to simulate the mesquite at the smaller scale. The height of the carpet nap was about  $\frac{1}{3}$  inch (8 mm), which is close to one-fifth the height of the plastic trees [2 in, (50.1 mm)].

The carpeting was cut into small rectangular pieces and placed in the tilting flume (fig. 17) at the same density as the mesquite vegetative type IB. The tilting flume was operated with the carpet in place for a number of different discharges and slopes to verify that the roughness of the carpet would be close to a  $k_s$  value of 0.02 feet (6.1 mm) (fig. 18). Friction data, for the outdoor carpet used to simulate the mesquite, are summarized in table 4. The friction factor varied between 0.023 and 0.062, and the equivalent sand grain roughness varied between 0.002 and 0.073 feet (6.1 and 22.3 mm) – averaging 0.021 feet (6.4 mm).

Because the testing confirmed that average roughness of the outdoor carpet (0.021 feet) was very close to the scaled  $K_s$  value of 0.02 feet, the outdoor carpet was placed in the large hydraulic model. The same pattern of rectangular squares used in the tilting flume was used in the large hydraulic model in the area of the model where vegetative types IA and IB exist (fig. 8). The  $k_s$  value of 0.02 feet (6.1 mm) represents the surface resistance of the mesquite corresponding to vegetative type IB. Because vegetative type IA contains about one-half the number of mesquite, the carpet squares for vegetative type IA were

Table 3. – Mesquite tree friction data using 1 to 30 scale plastic trees.<sup>1</sup>

Longitudinal slope %	Discharge ft <sup>3</sup> /s	Cross-section width ft	Flow depth ft	Bottom elevation ft	Cross-section area ft <sup>2</sup>	Velocity average ft/s	Reynold's number $R_e$	Friction factor $f$	Equivalent sand grain roughness, $K_s$	Manning's $n$	Friction slope $S_f$
0.3	5.048	2.969 2.969	0.703 .695	10.754 10.695	2.087 2.063	2.432	$1.42 \times 10^5$	0.111	0.132	0.023	0.00379
.3	7.006	2.969 2.969	.829 .805	10.880 10.805	2.462 2.391	2.888	$1.96 \times 10^5$	.108	.148	.023	.00449
.3	9.015	2.969 2.969	.922 .896	10.973 10.896	2.737 2.660	3.410	$2.53 \times 10^5$	.088	.113	.020	.00447
.5	3.005	2.969 2.969	.501 .462	10.572 10.462	1.487 1.371	2.106	$0.84 \times 10^5$	.181	.193	.029	.00659
.5	5.020	2.969 2.969	.675 .673	10.746 10.673	2.005 1.999	2.507	$1.41 \times 10^5$	.129	.165	.025	.00483
.5	7.070	2.969 2.969	.843 .836	10.914 10.836	2.504 2.482	2.836	$1.98 \times 10^5$	.131	.210	.025	.00051
.5	8.997	2.969 2.969	.950 .981	11.021 10.981	2.820 2.913	3.140	$2.53 \times 10^5$	.077	.093	.019	.00331
.5	10.656	2.969 2.969	1.382 1.453	11.465 11.453	4.103 4.314	2.534	$2.99 \times 10^5$	.074	.124	.018	.00147
.8	5.055	2.969 2.969	0.515 .612	10.643 10.612	1.529 1.817	3.044	$1.42 \times 10^5$	.080	.057	.020	.00537
.8	7.046	2.969 2.969	.634 .648	10.762 10.648	1.882 1.924	3.703	$1.978 \times 10^5$	.095	.092	.021	.00822
.8	9.080	2.969 2.969	.788 .890	10.916 10.890	2.340 2.642	3.659	$2.55 \times 10^5$	.077	.079	.019	.00510
4.0	7.056	2.969 2.969	.394 .358	10.997 10.358	1.170 1.064	6.331	$1.98 \times 10^5$	.082	.040	.020	.0347
4.0	9.040	2.969 2.969	.434 .424	11.037 10.424	1.288 1.260	7.097	$2.54 \times 10^5$	.082	.047	.020	.03852
Average									0.115		

<sup>1</sup> 1 ft = 0.3048 m    1 ft<sup>2</sup> = 0.0929 m<sup>2</sup>    1 ft/s = 0.3048 m/s    1 ft<sup>3</sup>/s = 0.02831 m<sup>3</sup>/s

Table 4. – Mesquite tree friction data using 1 to 150 scale outdoor carpeting.<sup>1</sup>

Longitudinal slope %	Discharge ft <sup>3</sup> /s	Cross-section width ft	Flow depth ft	Bottom elevation ft	Cross-section area ft <sup>2</sup>	Velocity average ft/s	Reynold's number $R_e$	Friction factor $f$	Equivalent sand grain roughness, $K_s$	Manning's $n$	Friction slope $S_f$
0.3	3.066	2.969 2.969	0.550 .591	10.604 10.591	1.632 1.754	1.813	$0.861 \times 10^5$	0.056	0.026	0.017	0.00135
.3	5.485	2.969 2.969	.797 .843	10.845 10.843	2.365 2.503	2.255	$1.54 \times 10^5$	.023	.002	.011	.00069
.3	4.145	2.969 2.969	.702 .743	10.755 10.743	2.083 2.207	1.934	$1.16 \times 10^5$	.058	.036	.017	.00126
.3	7.089	2.969 2.969	.919 .971	10.973 10.971	2.728 2.882	2.529	$1.99 \times 10^5$	.026	.004	.012	.00086
.3	8.848	2.969 2.969	.811 .826	10.865 10.826	2.408 2.452	3.641	$2.48 \times 10^5$	.044	.021	.015	.00310
.5	5.444	2.969 2.969	.891 .974	10.974 10.974	2.645 2.892	1.970	$1.53 \times 10^5$	.036	.013	.014	.00692
.5	6.362	2.969 2.969	1.084 1.169	11.170 11.169	3.218 3.471	1.905	$1.78 \times 10^5$	.042	.024	.014	.00062
.5	7.685	2.969 2.969	0.664 0.785	10.750 10.785	1.971 2.331	3.598	$2.16 \times 10^5$	.026	.003	.012	.00213
.5	7.976	2.969 2.969	1.206 1.286	11.292 11.286	3.582 3.819	2.157	$2.24 \times 10^5$	.062	.073	.017	.00102
.5	8.986	2.969 2.969	1.131 1.208	11.217 11.208	3.359 3.587	2.591	$2.52 \times 10^5$	.061	.066	.017	.00153
2.0	4.001	2.969 2.969	0.263 .234	10.568 10.234	0.780 0.695	5.443	$1.12 \times 10^5$	.031	.002	.012	.01520
2.0	8.099	2.969 2.969	.423 .376	10.728 10.376	1.257 1.115	6.855	$2.27 \times 10^5$	.024	.001	.011	.01880
2.0	6.196	2.969 2.969	.336 .333	10.641 10.333	0.997 0.988	6.243	$1.74 \times 10^5$	.042	.0072	.014	.01980
Average									0.021		

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cut to one-half the size of the carpet squares associated with area IB and placed in the large hydraulic model.

### Discharge Rating Curve

The 1 to 150 scale model was tested at several different discharges to obtain a discharge-rating curve with and without the simulated mesquite. Velocity measurements were made across the section at the fuse plug to determine the distribution of unit discharges across the fuse plug to assist designers in flood routing investigations.

The discharge relationship curve for both cases is summarized on figure 19 and in table 5. Discharges in the rating curves include a flow through the spillway and outlet works that vary from 83,000 ft<sup>3</sup>/s at elevation 1985 (2350 m<sup>3</sup>/s at 605.0 m) to 105,000 ft<sup>3</sup>/s at elevation 1996 (2973 m<sup>3</sup>/s at 608.4 m) (fig. 2). The model flows for the ogee spillway and outlet works were close to those given in the rating curve (fig. 2). Below 500,000 ft<sup>3</sup>/s (14158 m<sup>3</sup>/s), the effect of mesquite on the fuse plug discharge was negligible. As the flow was increased the effect of the mesquite friction was more pronounced. For example, at elevation 1990 the discharge is 870,000 ft<sup>3</sup>/s (24636 m<sup>3</sup>/s at 606.6 m) with mesquite friction, and 900,000 ft<sup>3</sup>/s (25485 m<sup>3</sup>/s) without mesquite. At elevation 1996, the discharges were 1.31 and 1.37 million ft<sup>3</sup>/s (37095 and 38794 m<sup>3</sup>/s at 608.4 m) for the two cases.

Water surface profile data were obtained simultaneously with discharge data. Data were obtained using wave capacitance probes located throughout the model and with a point gauge located close to the fuse plug. Water surface profile data are summarized on figure 20 for discharges ranging between 71,100 ft<sup>3</sup>/s and 1.4 million ft<sup>3</sup>/s (2015 and 39645 m<sup>3</sup>/s).

Velocity measurements without mesquite friction were recorded at 1.1 and 1.4 million ft<sup>3</sup>/s discharges (31150 and 39645 m<sup>3</sup>/s). These data are summarized in tables 6 and 7 and correspond to elevations 1994.6 and 1997.5 (608.0 and 608.8 m).

Velocity measurements were taken at elevations 1980, 1985, 1991, 1993.5, and 1995 (603.5, 605.0, 606.9, 607.6, and 608.1 m) with the mesquite friction. Data for elevations 1980, 1985 and

Table 5. — Fuse plug spillway rating curve data.<sup>1</sup>

<i>Without Mesquite Friction</i>	
Elevation ft	Discharge, ft <sup>3</sup> /s
1978.40	256,000
1982.15	427,000
1984.70	558,000
1987.25	716,000
1989.20	844,000
1990.70	951,000
1992.80	1,105,000
1994.45	1,241,000
1995.95	1,382,000
1997.45	1,514,000
<i>With Mesquite Friction</i>	
1972.40	71,100
1974.35	122,000
1977.20	210,800
1979.67	317,700
1980.65	347,800
1982.00	423,200
1984.55	549,100
1986.20	620,900
1986.95	686,200
1989.50	837,000
1990.55	896,300
1991.00	925,000
1991.30	967,300
1993.25	1,103,200
1994.30	1,171,800
1994.90	1,239,700
1995.20	1,247,600
1996.40	1,371,600
1997.00	1,415,600
1998.05	1,515,900

<sup>1</sup> 1 ft = 0.3048 m

1 ft<sup>3</sup>/s = 0.02831 m<sup>3</sup>/s

1991 were not used because more than one-half the current meter propeller was out of the water for most of the measurements. Measured and computed discharges varied more than 10 percent, which meant that individual velocity measurements could have varied as much as 50 percent. Unit discharge data for elevations 1993.5 and 1995 (607.6 and 608.1 m) are summarized in tables 8 and 9.

Table 6. – Unit discharge distribution without mesquite friction – elevation 1994.6.<sup>1</sup>

Distance from right edge of fuse plug, ft	Depth ft	Velocity ft/s	Discharge ft <sup>3</sup> /s	Unit discharge (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)/ft
250	3.00	3.75	2,810	11
400	6.75	10.94	11,070	74
550	9.00	13.06	17,640	118
700	13.50	11.70	23,680	158
850	14.25	10.82	23,140	154
1000	13.50	7.25	14,680	98
1150	15.00	9.31	20,950	140
1300	19.50	15.32	44,800	299
1450	21.00	18.02	56,770	378
1600	20.25	19.76	60,040	400
1750	18.00	21.64	58,440	390
1900	19.50	24.30	71,090	474
2050	19.50	24.12	70,550	470
2200	18.00	25.40	68,590	457
2350	18.00	22.74	61,410	409
2500	18.00	20.31	54,850	366
2650	16.50	22.10	54,700	365
2800	17.25	23.89	61,820	412
2950	19.50	22.47	65,720	438
3100	19.50	21.74	63,580	424
3250	18.75	21.05	59,200	395
3400	21.00	19.90	62,690	418
3550	19.50	19.08	55,800	372
3775	16.50	19.67	48,690	216
Total			1,132,710	

1 ft = 0.3048 m    1 ft<sup>3</sup>/s = 0.02831 m<sup>3</sup>/s

Table 7. – Unit discharge distribution without mesquite friction – elevation 1997.5.<sup>1</sup>

Distance from right edge of fuse plug, ft	Depth ft	Velocity ft/s	Discharge ft <sup>3</sup> /s	Unit discharge (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)/ft
225	19.50	19.31	84,700	376
375	21.00	20.10	63,350	422
525	23.25	20.90	72,900	486
675	22.50	21.50	72,750	485
825	22.50	22.26	75,150	501
975	22.50	23.15	78,100	521
1125	21.00	24.07	75,850	506
1275	20.25	22.26	67,600	451
1425	21.00	22.04	69,450	463
1575	20.25	24.43	74,200	495
1725	19.50	26.19	76,600	511
1875	22.50	24.30	82,000	547
2025	22.50	23.46	79,150	528
2175	21.75	22.40	73,100	487
2325	21.75	20.94	68,300	455
2475	22.50	18.56	62,650	418
2625	22.50	17.94	60,550	404
2775	19.50	13.26	38,750	258
2925	16.50	11.80	29,200	195
3075	16.50	14.32	35,500	237
3225	16.50	14.49	35,900	239
3375	13.50	14.19	28,700	191
3525	10.50	13.21	20,800	139
3775	6.00	4.64	6,950	28
Total			1,432,200	

<sup>1</sup> 1 ft = 0.3048 m    1 ft/s = 0.3048 m/s  
1 ft<sup>3</sup>/s = 0.02831 m<sup>3</sup>/s

Table 8. – Unit discharge distribution with mesquite friction – elevation 1993.5.<sup>1</sup>

Distance from right edge of fuse plug, ft	Depth ft	Velocity ft/s	Discharge ft <sup>3</sup> /s	Unit discharge (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)/ft
150	18.75	16.77	47,122	314
300	22.05	18.86	62,278	415
450	23.25	17.68	61,727	412
600	21.75	19.76	64,483	430
750	22.05	20.59	68,065	454
900	21.90	19.91	65,130	435
1050	20.55	20.34	62,829	419
1200	20.55	19.63	60,625	404
1350	15.90	19.78	47,174	315
1500	18.15	21.15	57,594	384
1650	18.45	19.38	53,736	358
1800	20.55	19.36	59,798	399
1950	21.00	20.97	66,136	441
2100	21.90	18.38	60,349	402
2250	23.25	18.92	65,861	439
2400	19.35	16.82	48,775	325
2550	19.35	15.70	45,469	303
2700	13.20	11.29	22,321	149
2850	14.25	11.35	24,250	162
3000	14.70	10.99	24,250	162
3150	17.25	10.78	27,832	186
3300	12.45	10.04	18,739	125
3825	7.65	9.09	10,472	28
Total			1,125,201	

<sup>1</sup> 1 ft = 0.3048 m    1 ft/s = 0.3048 m/s  
1 ft<sup>3</sup>/s = 0.02831 m<sup>3</sup>/s

Table 9. – Unit discharge distribution with mesquite friction – elevation 1995.0.<sup>1</sup>

Distance from right edge of fuse plug, ft	Depth ft	Velocity ft/s	Discharge ft <sup>3</sup> /s	Unit discharge (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)/ft
150	20.7	17.17	53,460	356
300	22.4	18.89	63,381	423
450	23.9	18.76	67,239	448
600	21.2	19.93	63,105	421
750	21.8	21.07	68,616	457
900	21.8	21.30	69,443	463
1050	20.7	20.39	63,381	423
1200	21.5	19.78	63,656	424
1350	17.0	21.21	54,011	360
1500	19.2	20.93	60,349	402
1650	18.6	21.35	59,523	397
1800	19.5	21.35	62,003	413
1950	20.7	21.25	65,861	439
2100	20.3	20.15	61,176	408
2250	23.7	19.50	69,443	463
2400	22.5	17.59	59,247	395
2550	19.7	16.26	47,949	320
2700	14.1	12.06	25,628	171
2850	14.3	11.13	23,699	158
3000	14.1	11.45	24,250	162
3150	14.7	11.72	25,903	168
3300	11.4	11.48	19,565	130
3450	8.7	8.22	10,747	72
3825	5.6	3.54	7,367	49
Total			1,189,002	

<sup>1</sup> 1 ft = 0.3048 m    1 ft/s = 0.3048 m/s  
1 ft<sup>3</sup>/s = 0.02831 m<sup>3</sup>/s

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## **APPENDIX A: PROGRAM FCALCULATE**

Computer program is used to compute friction factor,  $f$ , and equivalent sand grain roughness,  $K_s$ , from a momentum balance.

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100  PROGRAM FCALCULATE
110  !*****
120  !*****
130  !***
140  !   PROGRAM FCALCULATE USES A MOMENTUM BALANCE TO CALCULATE THE
150  !   FRICTION FACTOR AND EQUIVALENT SAND GRAIN ROUGHNESS BETWEEN
160  !   TWO LOCATIONS. REQUIRED INPUT TO THE MODEL IS THE SLOPE AND
170  !   WATER SURFACE ELEVATION AT EACH LOCATION. THE PROGRAM COMPUTES
180  !   ALL OF THE FORCES THAT ACT ON THE BODY BETWEEN TWO LOCATIONS
190  !   WITH THE MOMENTUM BALANCE. THEN, THE BOTTOM SHEAR STRESS IS
200  !   SOLVED IN THE PROGRAM. ONCE THE BOTTOM SHEAR STRESS IS FOUND,
210  !   THEN THE FRICTION FACTOR IS OBTAINED FROM ITS RELATIONSHIP TO
220  !   TO THE SHEAR STRESS FROM THE DARCY-WEISBACH EQUATION. THE EQUIVA-
230  !   LENT SAND GRAIN ROUGHNESS IS SOLVED FOR IN THE COLEBROOK-WHITE
240  !   EQUATION WITH A TRIAL AND ERROR PROCEDURE INVOLVING A NEWTON
250  !   ITERATION SCHEME. THE PROGRAM WAS WRITTEN BY C. KLUMPP BETWEEN
260  !   AUGUST AND NOVEMBER 1986.
270  !***
280  !*****
290  !*****
300  OPTION BASE 1
310  COM E(10),V(10),A(10),D(10),B(10),X(10),Rn(10),Sf(10),Fr(10),P(10)
320  COM Hf(9),Rbar(9),N(9),Re(10),Vbar(10),F(9),Ks(9),C(10),Rebar(10)
330  COM Delta(10),El(10),Elcal(10),Taub(9),Tauw(9),Zdata(10),Cf(9),Rx(9)
340  COM Vbar2(9),Deltaw(7),Dep(4,7),Bot(4,7),Cksm(4)
350  DIM Requation$(30),Titles$(80)
360  REAL Q,Nu
370  G=32.2
380  !*****
390  !FIRST INPUT TITLES, WATER SURFACE ELEVATIONS, AND Z VALUES.
400  !*****
410  INPUT "ENTER RUN NO.",Runo
420  MASS STORAGE IS ":,706,0"
430  ASSIGN @Path2 TO "XCOORD";FORMAT OFF
440  ENTER @Path2;X(+),B(+)
450  ASSIGN @Path2 TO *
460  FOR I=1 TO 2
470  INPUT "ENTER YOUR Z DATA",Zdata(I)
480  PRINT "ZDATA(I)=",Zdata(I)
490  NEXT I
500  FOR J=1 TO 2
510  INPUT "ENTER THE DEPTH",D(J)
520  PRINT "D(J)=",D(J)
530  E1(J)=D(J)+Zdata(J)
540  NEXT J
550  INPUT "DO YOU WANT TO STORE DEPTHS?",B$
560  IF B$(1,1)="Y" THEN GOSUB Storedata
570  INPUT "DISCHARGE YOU ARE USING",Q
580  !*****
590  ! NOW CALCULATE AREAS, WETTED PERIMETERS, AND HYDRAULIC RADIUS
600  !*****
610  FOR J=1 TO 2
620  C(J)=J
630  !PRINT "C(J)=",C(J)
640  A(J)=B(J)*D(J)
650  V(J)=Q/A(J)
660  Fr(J)=V(J)/(SQR(D(J)*6))
670  P(J)=D(J)*2+B(J)
680  R(J)=A(J)/P(J)
690  NEXT J

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700 Nu=1.2E-5
710 FOR Nn=1 TO 1
720   Rbar(Nn)=(R(Nn)+R(Nn+1))/2
730   Vbar(Nn)=(V(Nn)+V(Nn+1))/2
740   Vbar2(Nn)=((V(Nn)*V(Nn))+(V(Nn+1)*V(Nn+1)))/2
750 NEXT Nn
760 !*****
770 !COMPUTE THE MOMENTUM BALANCE BETWEEN EACH LOCATION AND SOLVE FOR SHEAR
780 !STRESS. AFTER THE SHEAR STRESS IS KNOWN, SOLVE FOR THE FRICTION FACTOR.
790 !*****
800 FOR J=1 TO 1
810   Deltaz=Zdata(J+1)-Zdata(J)
820   Length=X(J+1)-X(J)
830   Wbar=(B(J)+B(J+1))/2
840   Alpha1=-ASN(Deltaz/Length)
850   Deltay=D(J+1)-D(J)
860   Theta=-ASN((Deltaz+(Deltay*COS(Alpha1)))/Length)
870   Tauwpar1=V(J)^1.8/X(J)^.2
880   !PRINT "WBAR=",Wbar,"TAUPAR1=",Tauwpar1
890   Tauwpar2=V(J+1)^1.8/X(J+1)^.2
900   Rho=62.4/32.2
910   Tauw(J)=.0148*Rho*(Nu)^.2*(Tauwpar1+Tauwpar2)
920   !PRINT "TAUPAR2=",Tauwpar2,"TAUW(J)=",Tauw(J)
930   Dsqminus=(D(J)*D(J))-(D(J+1)*D(J+1))
940   Ddivwbar=(D(J)+D(J+1))/(B(J)+B(J+1))
950   Recipdepth=1/D(J+1)-1/D(J)
960   !PRINT "DSQRMINUS=",Dsqminus,"DDIVWBAR=",Ddivwbar
970   !PRINT "RECIPDEPTH=",Recipdepth,"LENGTH=",Length
980   PRINT "ALPHA1=",Alpha1
990   Term1=B(J)*(D(J)*COS(Alpha1)*D(J))
1000  PRINT "TERM1=",Term1
1010  Term2=B(J+1)*(D(J+1)*COS(Alpha1)*D(J+1))
1020  PRINT "TERM2=",Term2
1030  Term3=Term1-Term2
1040  Angle1=COS((Alpha1-Theta)/2)
1050  Presforce=62.4/((B(J)+B(J+1))*Length)*Term3
1060  Tauwforce=Ddivwbar*Tauw(J)*2*Angle1
1070  Qtrho=Rho*Q
1080  Vdata=V(J+1)*Angle1-V(J)*Angle1
1090  Qdeltav=Qtrho*Vdata*(1/(Wbar*Length))
1100  Wallforc=62.4/4*((B(J+1)-B(J))*(D(J)+D(J+1))*(D(J)+D(J+1))*1/((B(J+1)+B(J))*Length))
1110  Pforce=(62.4*(D(J)+D(J+1))*SIN(Alpha1))/2
1120  !PRINT "PFORCE=",Pforce,"SIN(ALPHA1)=",SIN(Alpha1)
1130  Taub(J)=Presforce+Pforce+Wallforc-Tauwforce-Qdeltav
1140  !PRINT "QDELTAU=",Qdeltav,"PRESFORCE=",Presforce
1150  !PRINT "TAUFORCE=",Tauforce
1160  PRINT "TAUB(j)=",Taub(J),"PFORCE=",Pforce
1170  Factor7=(D(J)+D(J+1))/(D(J)*D(J+1))
1180  F(J)=(8*Taub(J))/(Rho*Vbar2(J))
1190  Cf(J)=Taub(J)/(.5*Rho*Vbar(J)*Vbar(J))
1200  !PRINT "FACTOR7=",Factor7,"F(j)=",F(J)
1210  Nu=1.2E-5
1220  Rx1=(X(J)*V(J))/Nu
1230  Rx2=(X(J+1)*V(J+1))/Nu
1240  Rx(J)=(Rx1+Rx2)/2
1250  GOSUB Printnum
1260 NEXT J
1270 !*****
1280 !PRINT OUT RESULTS FOR INPUT, MOMENTUM BALANCE AND FRICTION FACTOR

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1290 !*****
1300 GOSUB Printrx
1310 !*****
1320 !COMPUTE THE REYNOLDS NUMBER
1330 !*****
1340 FOR J=1 TO 2
1350   Reynoldnum=V(J)*X(J)/Nu
1360   Reynoldnum=Reynoldnum^.2
1370   Delta(J)=(.38*X(J))/Reynoldnum
1380 !PRINT "DELTA(J)=",Delta(J)
1390 Dvalue=D(J)
1400 ! Dvalue=Delta(J)
1410 ! IF Delta(J)>=D(J) THEN Dvalue=D(J)
1420   Re(J)=(V(J)*Dvalue)/Nu
1430 NEXT J
1440 FOR J=1 TO 1
1450   Rebar(J)=(Re(J)+Re(J+1))/2
1460 NEXT J
1470 !*****
1480 !SOLVE THE COLEBROOK-WHITE EQUATION TO OBTAIN THE ROUGHNESS
1490 !*****
1500 FOR Jk=1 TO 1
1510   Dbar=(D(Jk)+D(Jk+1))/2
1520   IF F(Jk)<0. THEN Ks(Jk)=0.
1530   IF F(Jk)<0 THEN GOTO 1590
1540   IF Rebar(Jk)<=6.0E+4 THEN GOTO 1590
1550   GOSUB Roughness
1560   Ks(Jk)=Kz1
1570   IF F(Jk)<=.001 THEN Ks(Jk)=0.
1580   !PRINT "F(JK) =",F(Jk),"KS(JK) =",Ks(Jk)
1590 NEXT Jk
1600 !*****
1610 !NOW CALCULATE THE MANNING'S N VALUE
1620 !*****
1630 FOR I=1 TO 1
1640   E1=E1(I)+((V(I)*V(I))/(2*G))
1650   E2=E1(I+1)+((V(I+1)*V(I+1))/(2*G))
1660   Hf(I)=E1-E2
1670   Sf(I)=ABS(Hf(I))/(X(I+1)-X(I))
1680 NEXT I
1690 FOR Kk=1 TO 1
1700   Abar(Kk)=(A(Kk)+A(Kk+1))/2
1710   N(Kk)=(1.487*Abar(Kk)*Rbar(Kk)^(.6667*Sf(Kk)^(.50)/Q
1720 NEXT Kk
1730 !*****
1740 !FINISH AND PRINT THE REST OF THE RESULTS
1750 GOSUB Printdata
1760 STOP
1770 !*****
1780 !*****
1790 !THIS IS A SUBROUTINE TO STORE DATA TO A FILE
1800 !*****
1810 Storedata: !
1820 INPUT "NUMBER OF DEPTHS AND ELEVATIONS YOU ARE STORING",Anum
1830 Anum1=INT(((Anum1)*8/256)*2)+1
1840 INPUT "NAME OF FILE YOU WANT TO STORE DATA ON",File$
1850 CREATE BDAT File$,Anum1
1860 ASSIGN @Path3 TO File$;FORMAT OFF
1870 OUTPUT @Path3;E(*),D(*)
1880 ON END @Path3 GOTO 1890

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1850 RETURN
1900 !*****
1910 !*****
1920 !THIS IS A SUBROUTINE TO READ ELEVATIONS AND DEPTH FROM A FILE
1930 !*****
1940 !*****
1950 Readfile: !
1960 INPUT "NAME OF FILE YOU WANT TO READ",Filnam$
1970 MASS STORAGE IS ":",706,0"
1980 ASSIGN @Path3 TO Filnam$;FORMAT OFF
1990 ENTER @Path3;E(*),D(*)
2000 ON END @Path3 GOTO 2010
2010 RETURN
2020 !*****
2030 !THIS IS A SUBROUTINE TO PRINT DATA
2040 !*****
2050 Printdata: !
2060 ASSIGN @Path1 TO 701
2070 OUTPUT @Path1 USING "80A,/" ;Title$
2080 OUTPUT @Path1 USING "30X,7A,D,/" ;"RUN NO.",Runo
2090 OUTPUT @Path1 USING "25X,12A,2D.3D,X,3A,/" ;"DISCHARGE = ",Q,"CFS"
2100 OUTPUT @Path1;"POINT      X-      WIDTH  DEPTH  ELEVATION  AREA      W
ETTED      HYDRAULIC"
2110 OUTPUT @Path1;"GAGE      COORDINATE                                P
ERIMETER      RADIUS"
2120 OUTPUT @Path1 USING "/"
2130 Image2:IMAGE (2X,2D,7X,2D.3D,5X,D.3D,2X,2D.3D,3X,3D.3D,4X,2D.3D,5X,2D.3D,4X
,2D.3D,/)
2140 FOR Ii=1 TO 2
2150 OUTPUT @Path1 USING Image2;C(Ii),X(Ii),B(Ii),D(Ii),E1(Ii),A(Ii),P(Ii),R(
Ii)
2160 NEXT Ii
2170 OUTPUT @Path1 USING "/"
2180 OUTPUT @Path1 USING "5A,3X,5A,2X,4A,5X,9A,3X,8A,3X,10A,3X,9A,3X,8A";"POINT
","DELTA","UBAR","REYNOLD'S","FRICTION","EQUIVALENT","MANNING'S","FRICTION"
2190 OUTPUT @Path1 USING "4A,20X,6A,6X,6A,5X,11A,2X,7A,5X,8A";"GAGE","NUMBER","
FACTOR","SAND ROUGH","N VALUE","SLOPE-SF"
2200 OUTPUT @Path1 USING "/"
2210 Image3:IMAGE (2D,20X,8D.D,/)
2220 Image4:IMAGE (5X,2D.3D,3X,2D.3D,16X,2D.3D,5X,SD.3DE,4X,D.3D,3X,SD.3DE)
2230 FOR L1=1 TO 1
2240 PRINT "REBAR=",Rebar(L1)
2250 OUTPUT @Path1 USING Image3;C(L1),Rebar(L1)
2260 IF L1=10 THEN GOTO 2290
2270 OUTPUT @Path1 USING Image4;Delta(L1),Ubar(L1),F(L1),Ks(L1),N(L1),Sf(L1)
2280 !PRINT "DELTA(11)=",Delta(L1),"UBAR(11)=",Ubar(L1),"F(11)=",F(L1),"SF(11)=",
,Sf(L1)
2290 NEXT L1
2300 Image7: IMAGE(///)
2310 OUTPUT @Path1 USING Image7
2320 FOR J=1 TO 1
2330 IF (Cksm(J))>0.) THEN OUTPUT @Path1 USING "63A";"***SURFACE ROUGHNESS SET T
O ZERO, FRICTION BELOW ""SMOOTH"" CURVE"
2340 IF Cksm(J)>=0. THEN GOTO 2350
2350 NEXT J
2360 RETURN
2370 !*****
2380 !*****
2390 !THIS IS A SUBROUTINE THAT CALCULATES THE EQUIVALENT SAND ROUGHNESS
2400 !*****

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2410 !*****
2420 Roughness: !
2430 F1=F(Jk)
2440 IF F1<=.001 THEN GOTO 2720
2450 R1=Dbar
2460 !IF Delta(Jk)>=Dbar THEN R1=Dbar
2470 Rebar1=Rebar(Jk)
2480 Kz=.001
2490 Kz1=Kz
2500 LOOP
2510 Funca=Kz1/R1
2520 Lfunca=LGT(Funca)
2530 Funcb=15/(Rebar1*SQR(F1))
2540 Cksm(Jk)=1./SQR(F1)-1.56+2*(LGT(Funcb))
2550 IF (Cksm(Jk)>=0.) THEN Kz2=0.
2560 EXIT IF Cksm(Jk)>=0.
2570 Gcalc1=2*(LGT(Funca+Funcb))
2580 Gcalc1=1/SQR(F1)-1.56+Gcalc1
2590 G1=Kz1/R1+15.0/(Rebar1*SQR(F1))
2600 Derg=(.4343/G1)*(2/R1)
2610 Kzt=Kz1-(Gcalc/Derg)
2620 Kz2=Kzt
2630 IF Kzt<=0 THEN Kz2=.50*Kz1
2640 EXIT IF ABS((Kz2-Kz1)/Kz1)<=.001
2650 IF ABS((Kz2-Kz1)/Kz1)>.001 THEN Kz1=Kz2
2660 END LOOP
2670 ! Rz=4*R1
2680 ! Rz2=10*(1/(2*SQR(F(Jk)))-.56)
2690 ! Kz1=Rz/Rz2
2700 Kz1=Kz2
2710 PRINT "CKSM=",Cksm(Jk)
2720 RETURN
2730 Boundaryt: !
2740 FOR Iz=1 TO 5
2750 Const=-.2
2760 Const1=(V(Iz)*X(Iz))/Nu
2770 Const2=Const1*Const
2780 Delta(Iz)=.37*Const2*X(Iz)
2790 PRINT Delta(Iz)
2800 NEXT Iz
2810 RETURN
2820 !*****
2830 !THIS SUBROUTINE PRINTS OUT THE RESULTS OF THE MOMENTUM BALANCE
2840 !*****
2850 Printnum: !
2860 ASSIGN @Path1 TO 701
2870 IF J>1 THEN GOTO 2910
2880 OUTPUT @Path1 USING "@"
2890 OUTPUT @Path1 USING "2A,3X,10A,3X,10A,3X,9A,2X,9A,2X,7A,2X,6A,2X,6A,/" ; "NO
", "WALL SHEAR", "BOT. SHEAR", "PRESFORCE", "TAUWFORCE", "QDELTA", "PFORCE", "WFORCE"
2900 Image5:IMAGE (2D,4X,SD.4D,4X,SD.4D,4X,SD.4D,4X,SD.4D,3X,SD.4D,1X,SD.4D,
SD.4D,2X,SD.4D,/)
2910 OUTPUT @Path1 USING Image5;J,Tauw(J),Taub(J),Presforce,Tauwforce,Qdeltav,P
force,Wallforce
2920 OUTPUT @Path1 USING "/"
2930 RETURN
2940 !*****
2950 !THIS SUBROUTINE PRINTS THE RESULTS OF USING THE LOCAL RESISTANCE FACTOR
2960 !FOR FLOW OVER A ROUGH PLATE FROM SCHLICHTING TO COMPUTE THE SAND GRAIN
2970 !ROUGHNESS

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2980  !.....
2990 Printrx:
3000 ASSIGN @Path1 TO 701
3010 OUTPUT @Path1 USING "2A,6X,2A,9X,2A,/" ; "NO", "CF", "RX"
3020 FOR J=1 TO 1
3030     OUTPUT @Path1 USING Image6;J,Cf(J),Rx(J)
3040 Image6:IMAGE (2D,4X,D.5D,3X,8D.D,/)
3050 NEXT J
3060 OUTPUT @Path1 USING "/"
3070 RETURN
3080 END

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Figure 1. – Vicinity map.



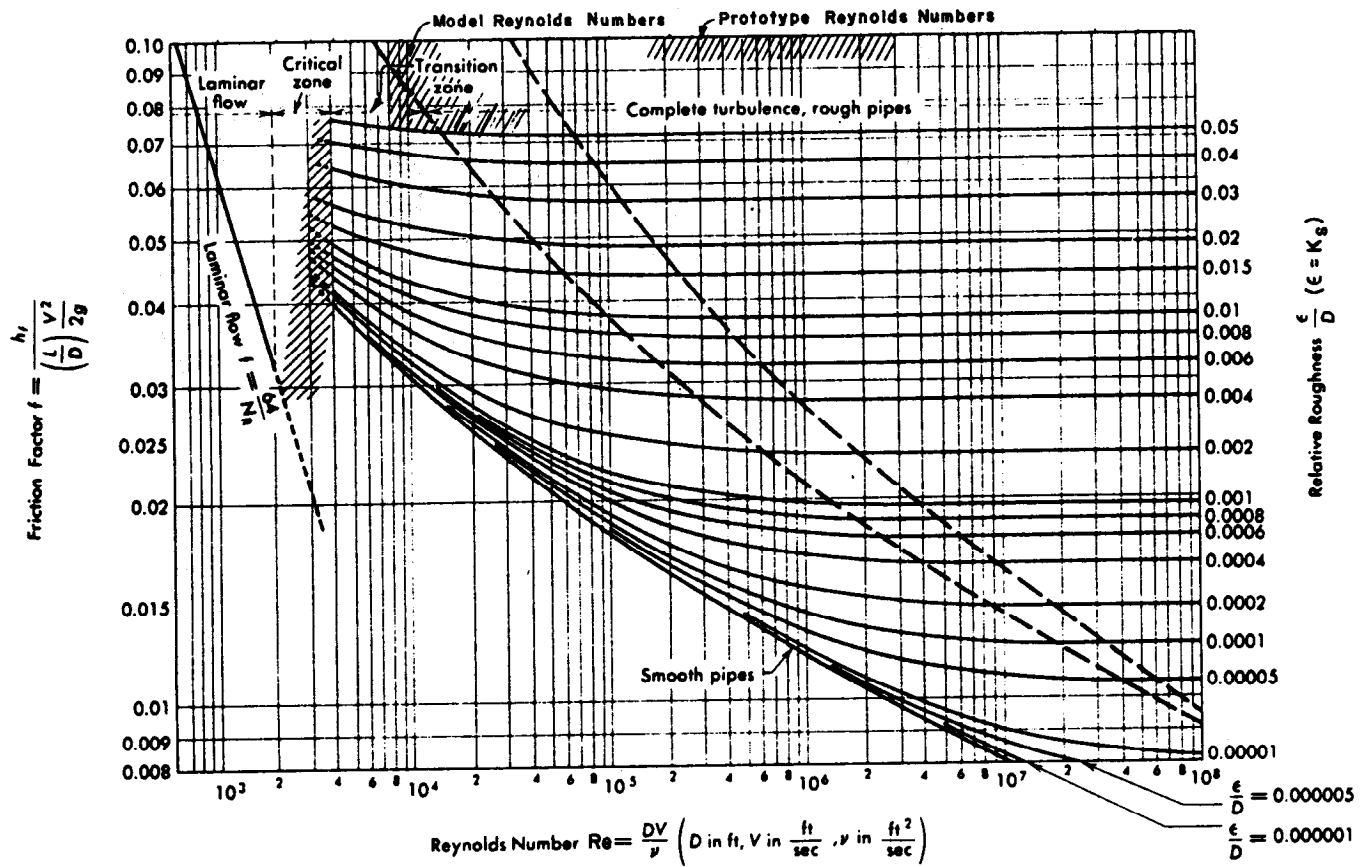


Figure 3. – The Moody diagram.

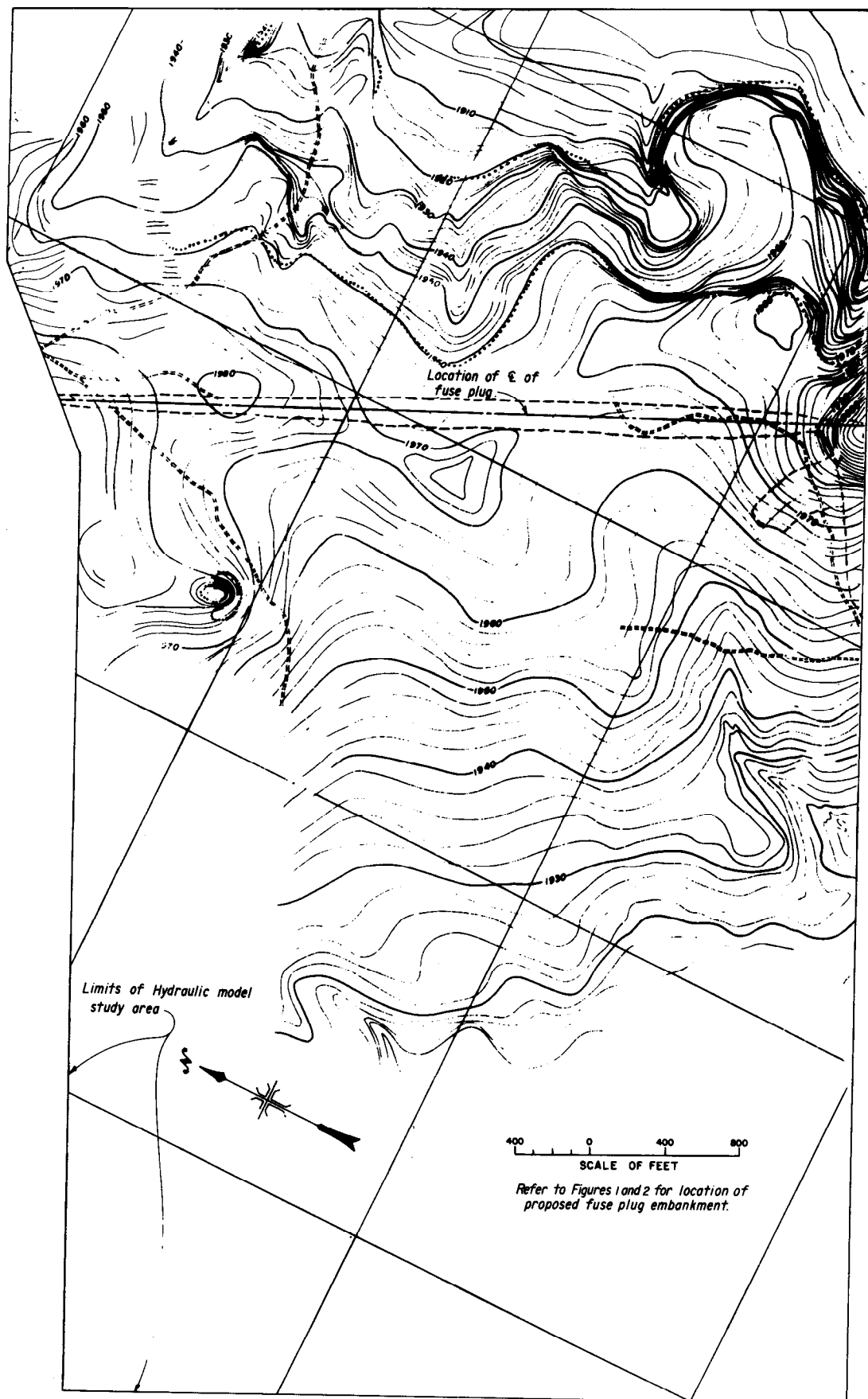


Figure 4. - Model study area.



Figure 5. – Overall view of the 1:150 scale hydraulic model with simulated mesquite friction. Photo P801-D-81383



Figure 6. – Ogee spillway approach channel in model. Photo P801-D-81384

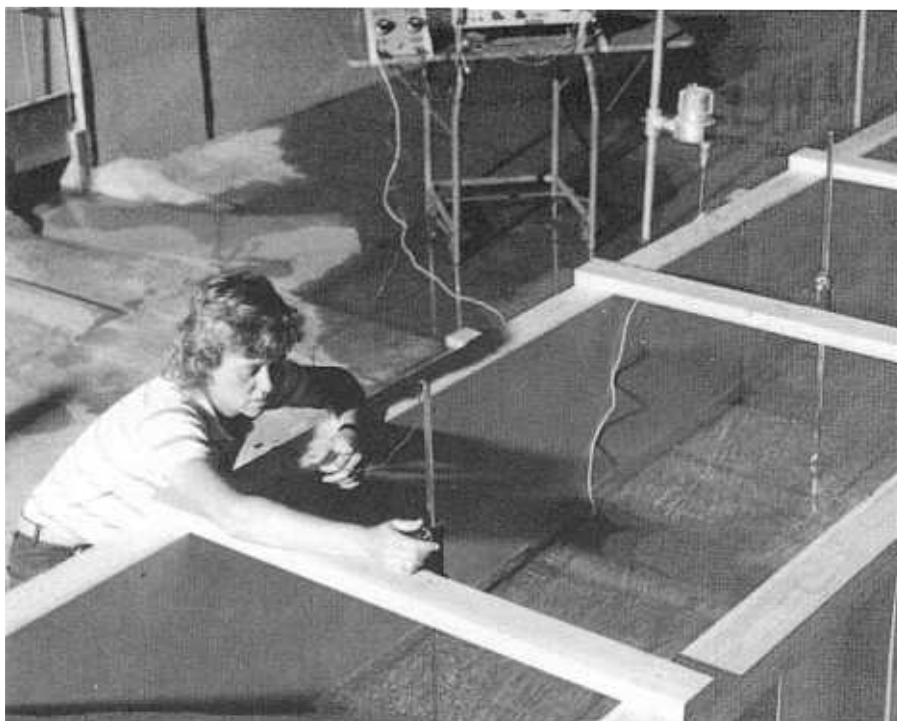


Figure 7. – Wave probability probe used with point gauges to measure water surface elevations. Photo P801-D-81385

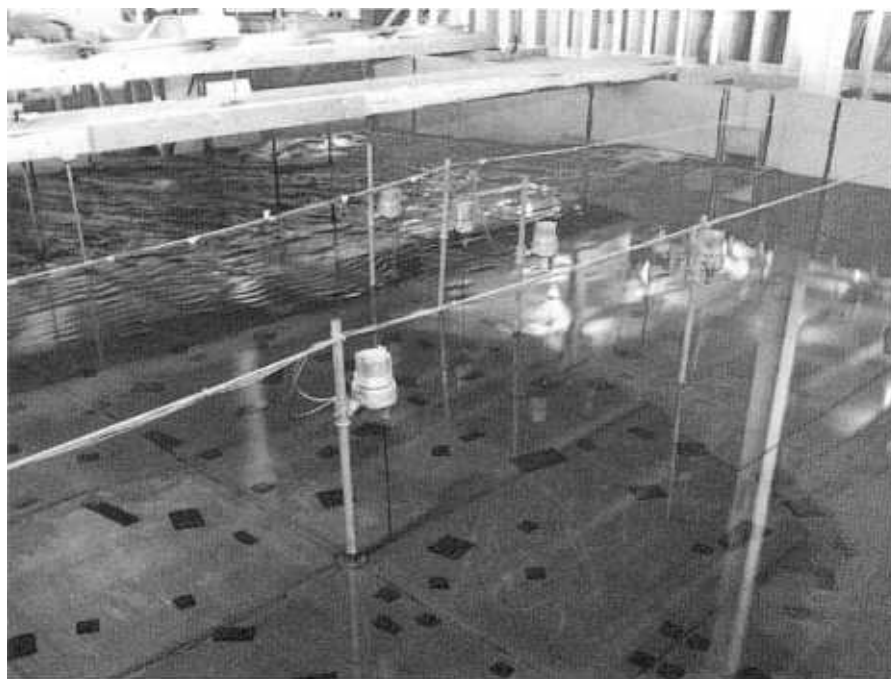


Figure 8. – Capacitance wave probes used in the large hydraulic model to measure water surface elevations. Photo P801-D-81386

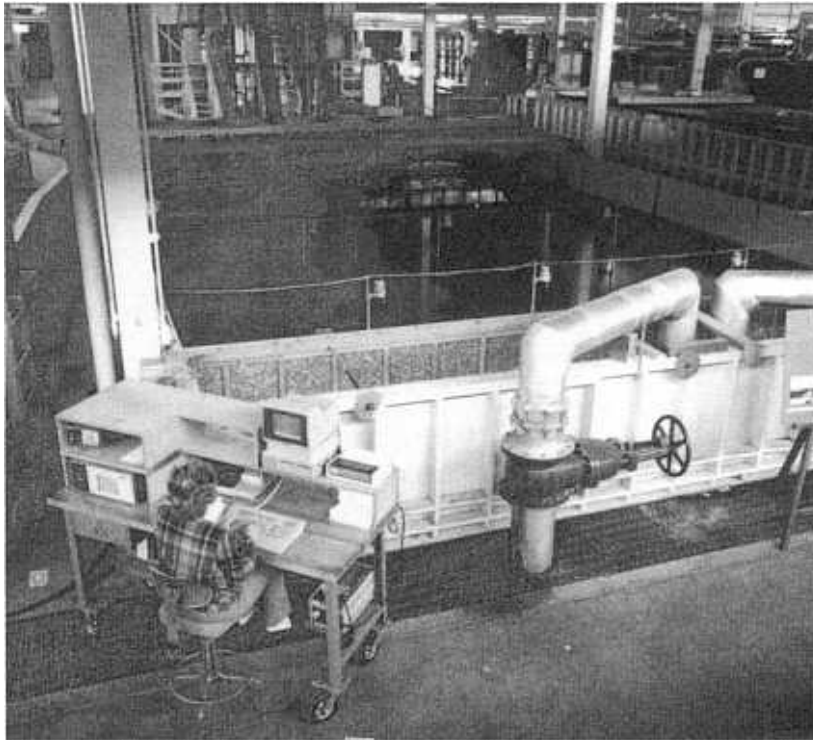


Figure 9. — Data acquisition system including HP 9816 computer. Photo P801 D-81387

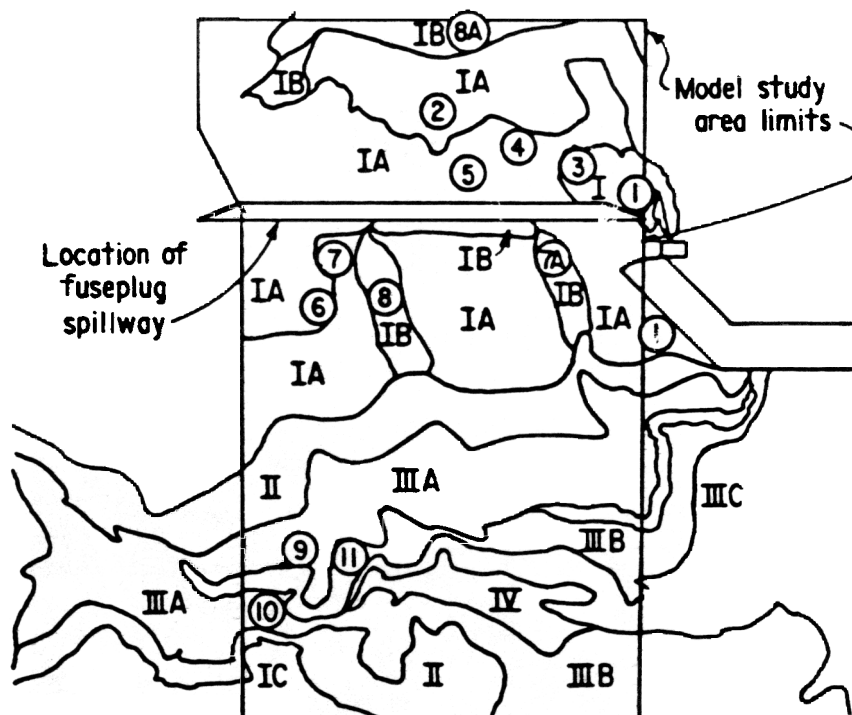


Figure 10. — Vegetation survey map of the study area.  
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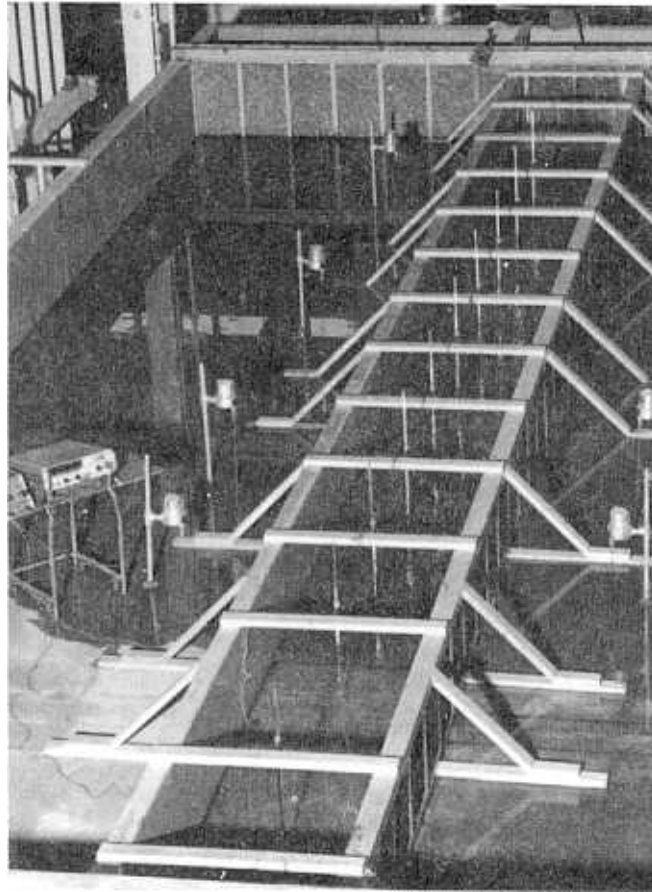


Figure Flume inside large hydraulic model roughness. Photo P801-D-81388

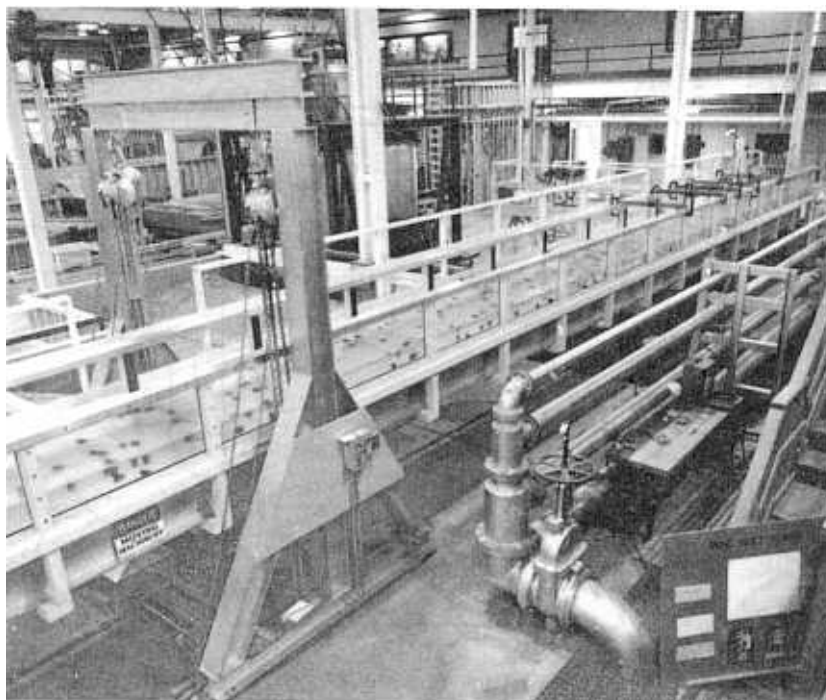


Figure 12. — Tilting flume facility scale. Photo P801-D-81389

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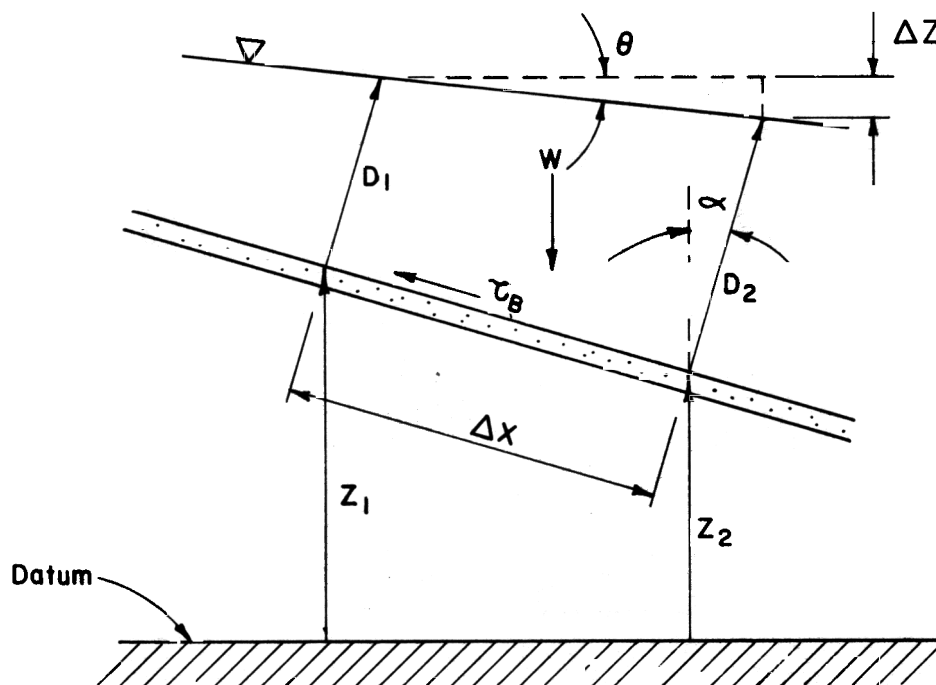


Figure 13. – Momentum balance diagram.

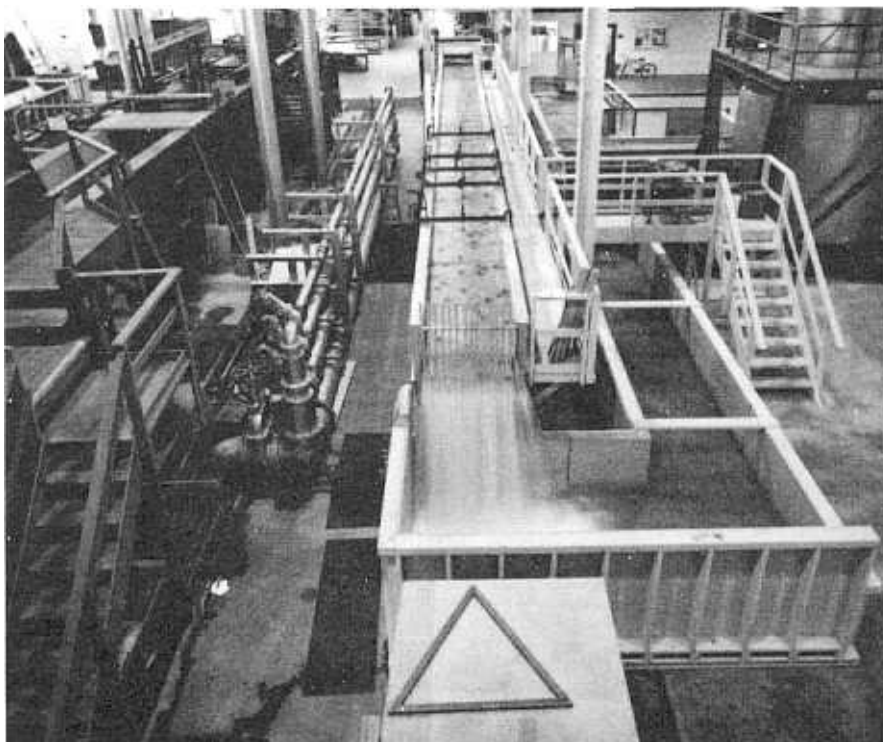


Figure 14. – Operation of the flume with plastic trees installed. Photo P801-D-81390



Figure 15. – Plastic trees being tested at a supercritical flow condition. Photo P801-D-81391

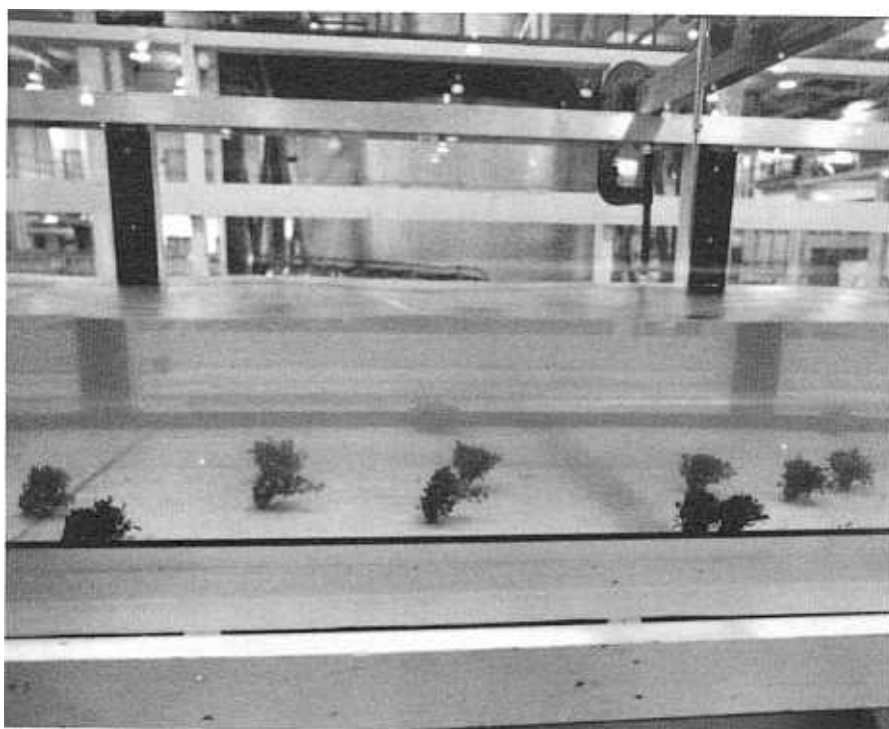


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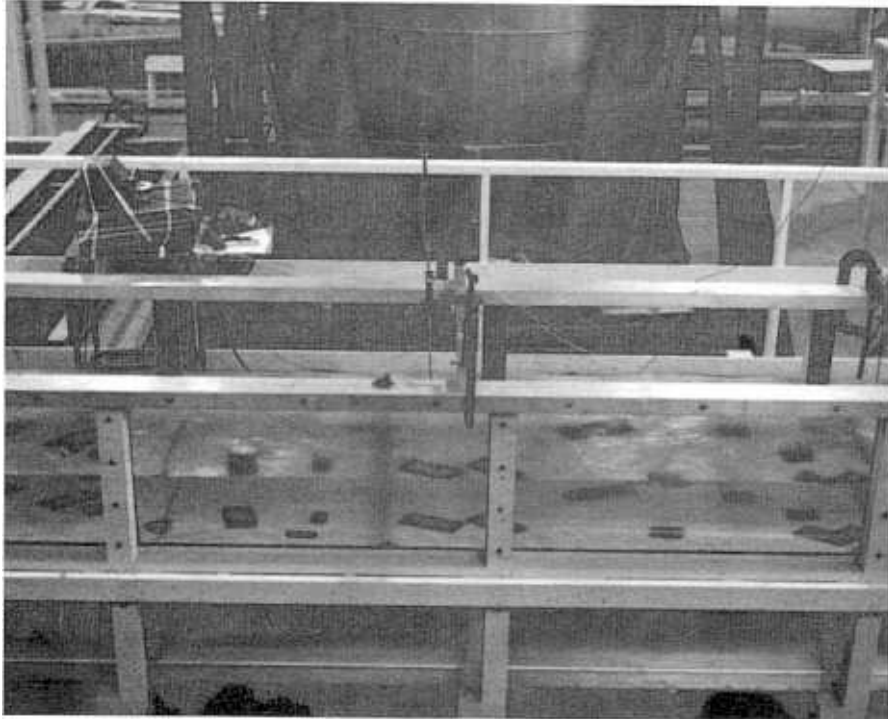


Figure 17. – Operation of the flume with outdoor carpeting installed to simulate the mesquite trees at a 1:150 scale. Photo P801-D-81393

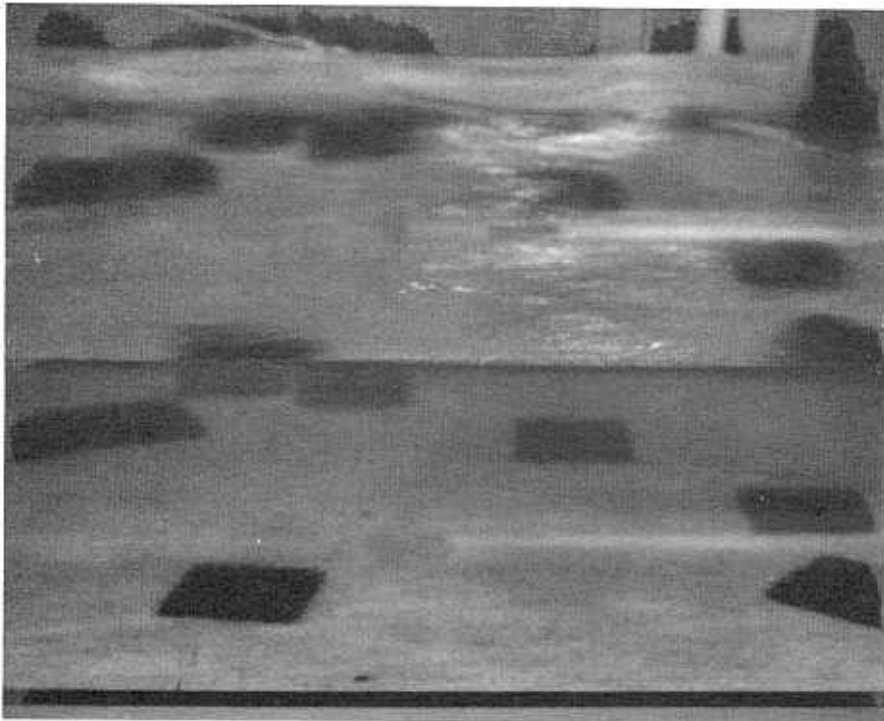


Figure 18. – Effect of outdoor carpeting on the flow. Photo P801-D-81394

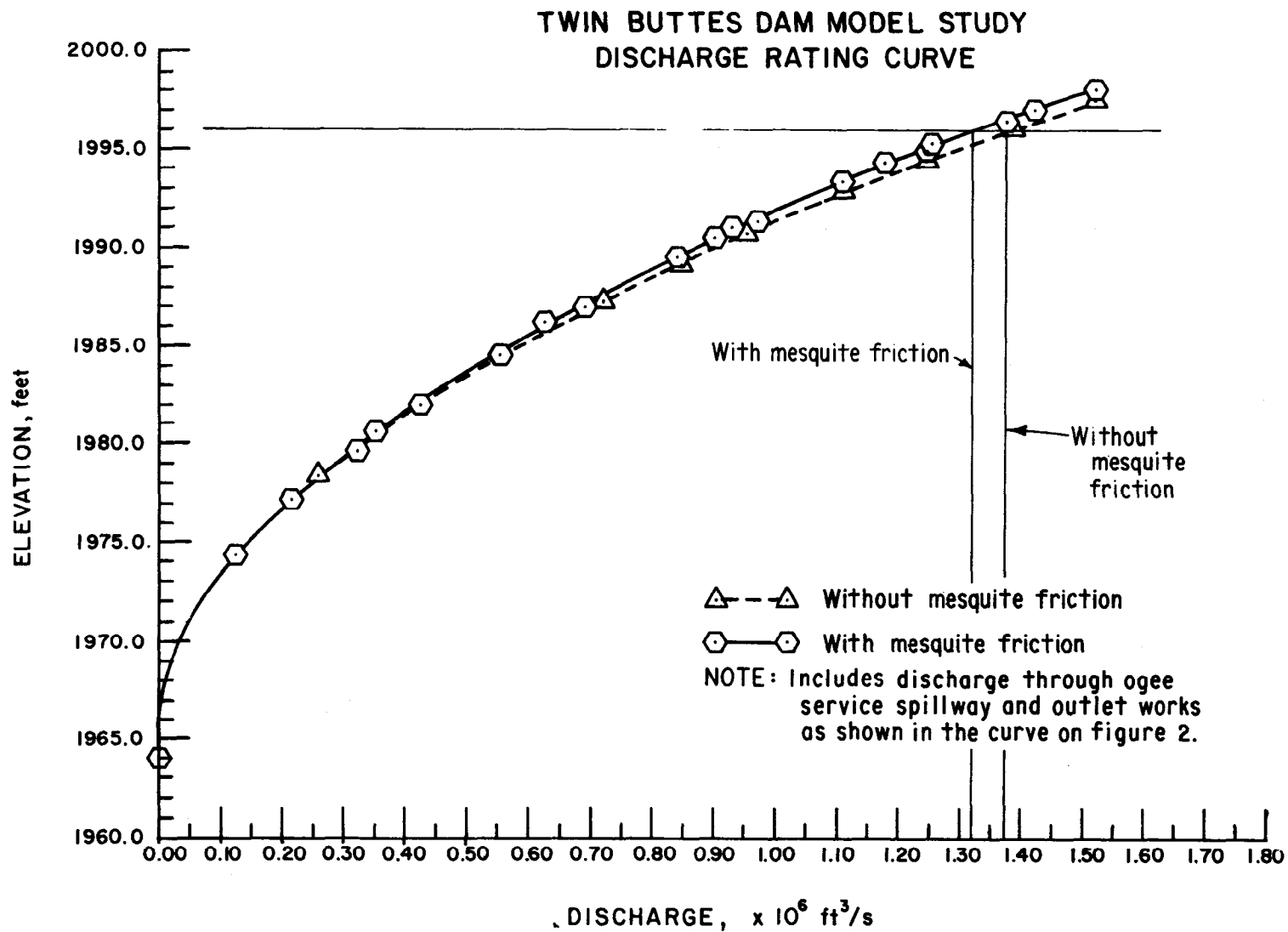


Figure 19. - Fuse plug spillway rating curves with and without mesquite friction. Twin Buttes Dam model study discharge rating curve.

# TWIN BUTTES DAM MODEL STUDY WATER SURFACE PROFILES

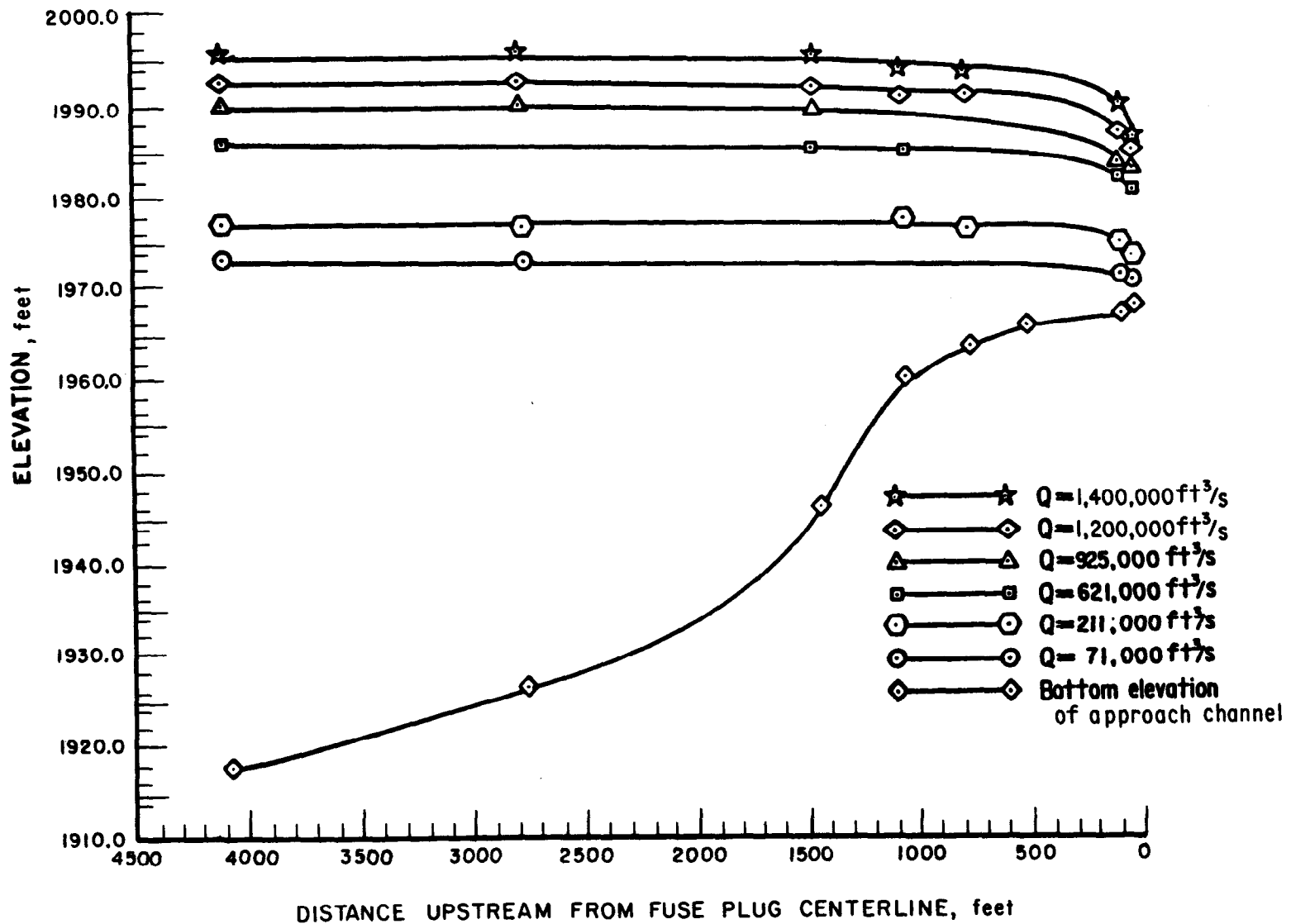


Figure 20. – Water surface profiles in approach to fuse plug spillway. Twin Buttes Dam model study water surface profiles.



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